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JAPANESE DECIDE TO CONFER DIRECTLY WITH GEN. CHIANG

DEVALUATION OF THE FRANC DRASTIC STEP ALMOST CERTAIN PROBABLE LINKING TO STERLING AT 100 TO THE POUND

London, To-day.
Pandemonium reigned in brokers' offices yesterday afternoon, when, in frantic dealings, dollars were extensively bid for, causing the rate to firm up to 5.03 1/4. Furthermore a remarkable reversal of trend in Spot francs was evidenced. They recovered in seesaw dealings to 76.46.

Two factors in themselves contradictory were responsible for the foregoing:-

(1) The expectations of the early devaluation of the franc caused an appreciation of the dollar in terms of sterling, as selling dollars in support of the franc will be rendered unnecessary. Since the franc is still linked with the dollar through the medium of gold the franc benefitted sympathetically;

(2) Some circles expressed the opinion that the French Cabinet, which was then sitting, would decide on further drastic measures in defence of the currency.

Later: Details of an international monetary agreement reached between France, Britain and the United States were to have been published last evening. The text of the agreement was being published here at 11 p.m. British Standard Time. Meanwhile it looks as if the pound, dollar and franc will be stabilised within certain limits.

Later: It is practically certain that the franc will be fixed at 100 to the £.

ANGLO-FRENCH AGREEMENT

Common Interest In
Prosperity.

DESIRE FOR RESTORATION
OF ORDER

London, To-day.

The Anglo-French monetary agreement, issued by the Treasury, states that the British Government, after consultation between the British and French Governments, join with them in affirming a common desire to foster those conditions which safeguard the peace and will best contribute to the restoration of order in international economic relations, and to pursue a policy, tending to promote the prosperity of the world.

TWOFOLD POLICY

The British Government must, in its policy towards international monetary relations, take into full account the requirements of the internal prosperity of the countries of the Empire, as corresponding considerations will be taken into account by the Governments of France and the United States.

The Government re-affirms its purpose to continue the policy which it has pursued in the course of recent years, the one constant object of which is to maintain the greatest possible equilibrium in the system of international exchanges and to avoid to the utmost extent the creation of any disturbance of that system by British monetary action.

The British Government shares with the French and United States Governments the conviction that the continuation of this twofold policy will serve the general purpose which all the Governments should pursue.

FRANCE TAKES THE STEP

The French Government has informed the British Government that, judging that the desired stability of the principal currencies cannot be ensured on a gold basis, except after the re-establishment of lasting equilibrium between the various economic systems, they have decided, with this object, to propose to

Later: Parliamentary approval of the new franc level is expected to be given before noon on Tuesday. It is understood that the Government will introduce measures to compensate French nationals suffering heavy loss.

Monday's sitting of Parliament will be devoted exclusively to finance. Parliament will adjourn until October 27 as soon as the Government's programme is approved. The debate is expected to be heated, but even the Communists are veering round gradually in favour of devaluation.

HOLLAND STANDS FIRM
The Hague: In connection with the new developments of the exchange market, the Government announces that it is maintaining its monetary policy unchanged.

Emergency Meeting Of Parliament

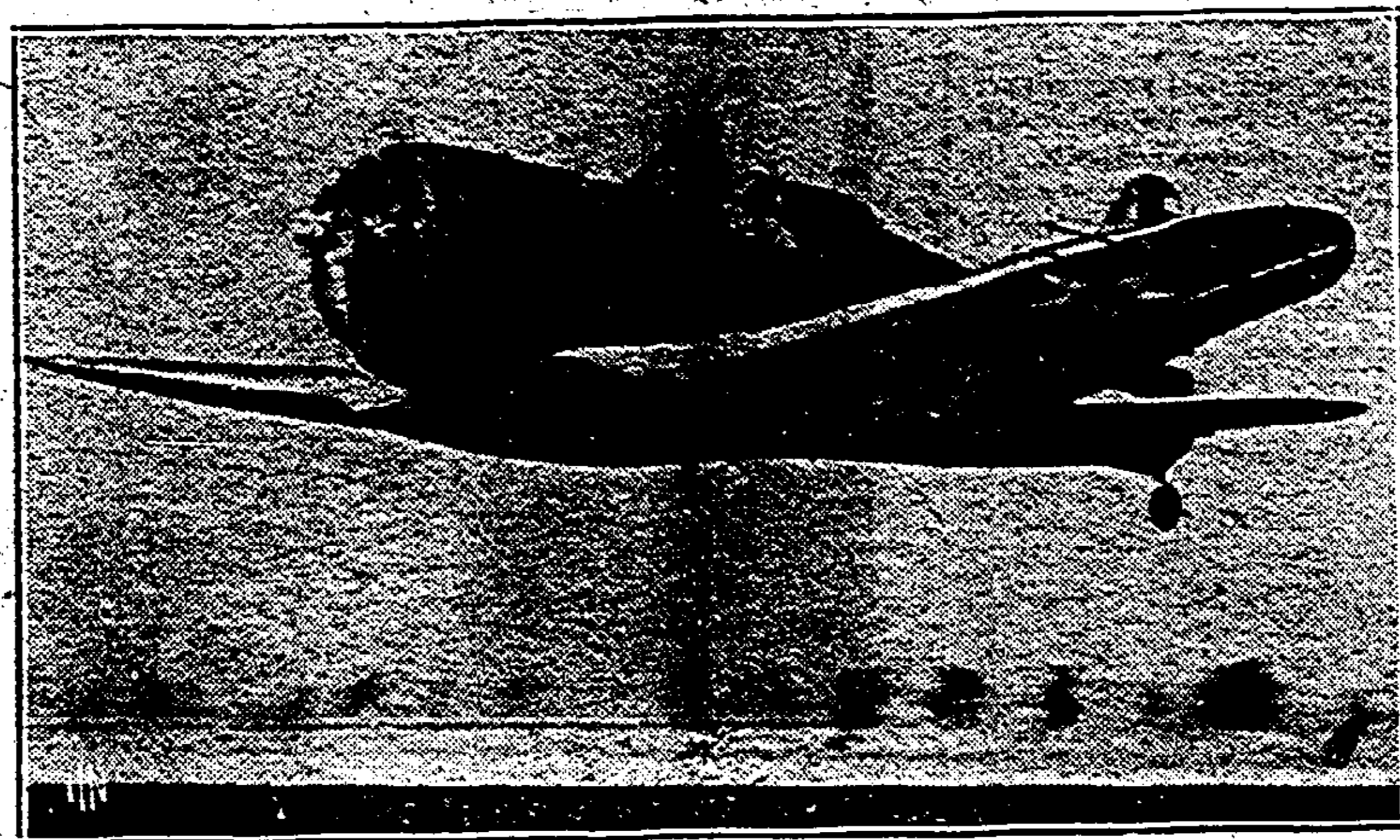
BOURSE CLOSED UNTIL
TUESDAY

Paris, Later: It is rumoured in the Chamber lobbies that the French Parliament may be summoned to meet on Monday. The Chamber normally is not due to meet until November.

Later: The Cabinet meeting last evening ended at 8 p.m. yesterday, the Minister of Interior issuing a communique later in the evening. Meanwhile it is announced (Continued at foot of next Col.)

their Parliament the readjustment of their currency.

DECISION WELCOMED
The British and United States Governments welcomed this decision, in the hope that it would establish more solid foundations for the stability of international economic relations. The British, United States and French Governments declare their intention to continue to use the appropriate available resources so as to avoid as far as possible any disturbance of the basis of the international exchanges resulting from the proposed readjustment. They will arrange for such consultations for this purpose as may prove necessary with the other two Governments and authorised agencies. (Continued on Page 10)



This single-seater, low-wing, all-metal monoplane was recently test-flown successfully by the Material Division of the United States Army Air Corps. The ship, a fighter in the 300-mile-an-hour class, is powered with a 14-cylinder, 150-horse-power engine, has completely retractable landing gear, wing flaps and adjustable cowling for controlling engine temperature, and seats the pilot far forward, affording him almost unlimited vision.

MOLA'S ULTIMATUM EXPIRES BOMBARDMENT OF BILBAO BY INSURGENTS EXPECTED

Burgos, To-day. — In the north-west sector General Mola's ultimatum to Bilbao to surrender unconditionally expired yesterday, and so far no notice has been taken by the Government forces of the ultimatum. It is expected that an insurgent bombardment of the town will begin immediately.

Gibraltar: A British naval trawler anchored off Europa Point Lighthouse fired a warning shot when the Spanish Government destroyer Almirante Ferrandiz attempted to escape insurgent gunfire from a battery at Carnero Point by sheltering within the three-mile limit off Gibraltar. The warning was immediately obeyed and the destroyer steamed off in the direction of Malaga. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

SOME HITCH?

Paris, later: There has apparently been a hitch in the financial announcement, the Finance Minister telephoning Washington at 1 a.m.—Reuter.

ced that the Bourse will be closed until Tuesday and an emergency meeting of Parliament (which normally would not meet until November) will be held on Monday. It is no secret in well-informed financial quarters that France would only contemplate devaluation within the framework of a currency alignment of sterling, and the dollar, thus assuring a common level of prices. Negotiations to that end have been proceeding for the last three months. It remains to be seen to what extent the British and American Government will give France an assurance not to undertake any fresh depreciation of their currencies, following any devaluation of the franc.

Reactions In U.S.A.

Washington: The question of the action to be taken in the event of the devaluation of the French currency is believed to have been discussed in a conference between Mr. Henry A. Morgenthau, Secretary to the Treasury, and State Department currency experts, which opened on Thursday night and was resumed yesterday.

While Treasury officials decline to comment, Wall Street observers are confident that both the United States and France could weather without grave difficulties any short-lived squalls which might follow an embargo on the export of French gold or devaluation of the franc. The majority of the financial authorities anticipate that any such action would only be followed by slight market disturbances here.—Reuter.

Nationalists Still Advancing

Burgos: The Southern Army of the Nationalists continued its advance yesterday and captured the town of Amaga, an important junction, about half-way between Bajadoz and Cordoba. The Red troops offered desperate resistance, which was, however, broken by the concentrated fire of the Nationalists. The Red losses are declared to have been extremely heavy. The Nationalists have also captured Monte Benajon near Ronda on the railway-line Ronda-Algeciras. On the Biscay Coast the Nationalists likewise continue the advance.

DEATH SENTENCES

Paris: Twenty infantry officers, including one Lieutenant-General, one Major and five Captains, have been sentenced to death by the People's Tribunal in Valencia, according to a report reaching here from Spain.

Another message stated that the Madrid police took into custody General San Pelayo, Lieutenant-Colonel Aladro and Captain Silvestre, because these three officers helped to arrest the Socialist Deputies in 1934.—Trans-Ocean Service.

40-HOUR WEEK IN FRANCE?

Paris, To-day.—President Lebrun has signed a decree making the 40-hour week compulsory in the mines, with an extension to embrace the metal trades, the textile industry and the building trades. These extensions will be discussed at the next Ministerial Council.—Trans-Ocean Service.

GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS

The following Government appointments, etc., are notified in the Government Gazette: Misses Johanna Hepburn McLellan and Adelaide Castleman Hill to be Nursing Sisters, with effect from September 16.

ANOTHER FIERCE CLASH IN PALESTINE

British Troops Engage Armed
Arabs In Night Action

Jerusalem, To-day.

Another fierce engagement between British troops and armed Arabs occurred on Thursday night on the Jerusalem-Hebron road near the camp of the North-berland Fusiliers, which had only been established a few hours previously. As the conflict took place in the dark the Arab casualties are not yet known.

Two more troopships carrying further reinforcements arrived at Haifa yesterday.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

STATEMENT AT GENEVA

Non-Interference
Denounced

SPANISH MINISTER'S OUTBURST

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Geneva, To-day.

"The non-interference proposal by the leading Powers concerning the Spanish civil war is a legal monstrosity," declared the Madrid Foreign Minister, Senor del Vayo, in his speech before the Plenary Session of the League Assembly yesterday afternoon. The Minister protested vehemently that the non-intervention was interpreted in such a way that the legitimate Government in Madrid was placed on the same footing as the rebels. He pointed out that "non-intervention," as carried out at present, was in effect a blockade of Madrid.

Senor del Vayo also stated that the "non-interference" is proving unsuccessful as far as the rebels are concerned, since they now possess "immense quantities of war material," which they did not have when the uprising began.

Evidently referring to Portugal's attitude towards the belligerent parties in Spain, the Minister said: "No country, no matter how different its form of Government, may be from that prevailing in Madrid; has reason to fear interference in its internal affairs from the Spain which I represent. This particularly refers to the direct neighbours of Spain." — Trans-Ocean Service.

DISSATISFIED WITH PRESENT TALKS TENSION AT SHANGHAI EASIER

MARINES WITHDRAWN TO BARRACKS

(From A Special Correspondent)

Canton, To-day.

A Japanese Embassy spokesman denies that Mr. S. Kawagoe, the Japanese Ambassador to China, threatens to leave Nanking. It is learned that he has been instructed to continue the preliminary discussions with Mr. Chang Chun, the Chinese Foreign Minister, but the date of their fourth meeting has not yet been fixed.

Mr. Hsu Shik-ying, the Chinese Ambassador to Japan, was summoned to meet Mr. Arita, the Japanese Foreign Minister, yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The meeting, which took place in the Japanese Foreign Office, lasted about an hour. Mr. Hsu was asked to inform the Generalissimo that the Japanese Government intends to undertake direct negotiations with him about the Cheng-tu, Pakhoi, Hankow and Shanghai incidents, as well as on all the Sino-Japanese readjustment problems. Mr. Hsu promised to cable the Generalissimo to this effect. It is stated that the Japanese Government is dissatisfied with the results of the last three preliminary Chang-Kawagoe meetings.

The tension following the Taminato case at Shanghai became easier yesterday. A large portion of the Japanese marines at Hongkew in the International Settlement, and at Chapei in Chinese territory, have been withdrawn to their barracks, except those in the Japanese Primary school, Rokusan Garden, Japanese restaurants and the neighbourhood of the Japanese Consulate.

MR. EDEN'S PLEA FOR PEACE

Mixed Reception In
Europe

ACCLAIMED BY HUNGARY AS
POLITICAL MILESTONE

Berlin, To-day.

Approval with reserve marks the first comments on Mr. Anthony Eden's speech before the League Assembly yesterday. The Berliner Tageblatt says that Mr. Eden's plea for co-operation, even among nations with different kinds of Governments, constitutes a service to Europe, but his words, otherwise excellent, lost much of their value by not excepting Moscow, which has "sought to bring down other Governments."

The Lokaleszeitung regrets that Mr. Eden still urges improvement of the machinery of the League and the conclusion of regional pacts.

Geneva: Mr. Eden's speech is generally warmly welcomed, but his remark that the present state of things cannot be expected to last for all time has aroused misgivings, especially among the Little Entente or some members of it, who think that Mr. Eden's declaration will encourage the revisionist aspirations of Hungary.

HUNGARIAN OPINION

Budapest: Mr. Eden's speech is given prominence on the front pages of the evening papers and is acclaimed as a milestone in international politics. The Magyar Orszag declares that Mr. Eden laid down most clearly the vital necessity of giving effect to Article XIX of the Covenant.—Reuter.

The British Foreign Secretary in his speech to the League Assembly yesterday, reviewed at length the causes of past failure of the League and appealed once more for the principle of collective security. He emphasised that Britain did not want to see Europe fall into two camps, determined by their respective forms of government. He made an appeal for toleration and for the ending of abuse of foreign neighbours.

He pointed out that armaments were cutting into the standard of life and that there was all-round weakening of confidence.

Britain was pursuing a policy of rearmament and would persist in it, until disarmament was a reality, and this implied a renunciation of the war-memorandum.

The essential thing was the will to work the machinery of the League, and unless this machinery were worked civilisation would perish.

HUGE FIRE IN CANTON

100 Houses Completely
Gutted

20 PEOPLE KILLED

(From A Special Correspondent)

Canton, To-day.

At 8 p.m. yesterday, a big fire broke out in the Luen On bamboo-ware shop in front of the Canton-Kowloon Railway Station at Canton. The fire lasted until midnight and about 100 houses and sheds were completely gutted. It is learned that there were about 20 casualties, and hundreds of persons have been rendered homeless.

Wednesday next is the Chinese Moon Festival (the 15th day of the 8th Moon) and the different organisations in Canton are preparing for the celebration of the Generalissimo's unification of China, and the prohibition of gambling and opium-smoking. A meeting will be held at 9 a.m., and in the afternoon there will be a parade of troops which will march round the city and a dinner will be given in honour of the Generalissimo in the evening.

KHO SIN-KIE LOSES IN PARIS

Paris, to-day.—In the international lawn tennis championships which are being played here, Andre Merlin, of France, beat Kho Sin-kie, China's National singles champion and first string Davis Cup player, by 1-6, 8-6, 6-5, 6-4, in the Semi-Final Round.—Reuter.

MOORING PROHIBITION

A Government Gazette notification states that vessels, other than those employed in the carriage of pigwash, are prohibited, between the hours of 5 a.m. and 9 a.m., from mooring to the seawall in Hong Kong between the western extremity of the dust-blast station opposite Wilber Street and the eastern boundary of the stone steps situated opposite Eastern Street.



Sporting Page



JAPANESE WOMEN OLYMPIC SWIMMERS GIVE FINE EXHIBITION

Ex-Interport Player



W. RAMSEY, the Kowloon Cricket Club all-round sportsman, won his Interport cricket blazer in 1921, when Hong Kong won by an innings and 5 runs. Ramsey's contribution being a modest 11. He was chosen for the Colony side again the following year, when the match was played in Shanghai, and again he had the distinction of being a member of the winning team. Hong Kong just gaining the verdict by a matter of 7 runs. Ramsey made 39 and 8 in that match. He has also played for the Colony against Singapore, and the highest score to his credit is 140 not out, made in an Interport trial.

Ramsey was one of the most consistent run-getters for the K.C.C. in those days and for several seasons he used to take a bat regularly off Mr. Ezra Abraham, their popular vice-president, who presented a bat for each century scored on the K.C.C. ground.

As far back as 1920, Ramsey played tennis for the Kowloon Cricket Club in the "B" Division of the Tennis League, but he left off playing for some years after that and only returned to the game in 1934—this year he and G. C. Burnett came second in the "B" Division partnership records with only two defeats in 24 matches. He has won several tournament prizes at the K.C.C. and last year entered the Colony Championships. He has latterly also taken to bowls with more than average success.

RUGBY TRIAL ON MONDAY NEXT

Training For Coming Season Starts

MANY PLAYERS AVAILABLE

The Rugby Section of the Hong Kong Football Club has already commenced training for the forthcoming season and the first trial game, between teams to be selected from Colours and Whites, will be held next Monday afternoon at the Valley, commencing at 5.15 p.m. There will be further trials on Wednesday, October 7 and 14, both commencing at 5.15 p.m.

All players mentioned below are requested to make a special effort to be present on the dates given above and everybody is assured of a game, and any newcomers who are not yet members of the Rugby Section, but who wish to play will be welcomed on these dates, when every effort will be made to give them a chance.

Intending players are also requested to bring two jerseys, a white one and a coloured one.

Teams for next Monday's trial will be selected from the following—

Whites—G. S. Wilson, Chadwick, D. A. Hayes, Bidwell, Grieve, van Leeuwen, Lammer, Butcher, Bonnar, F. C. B. Black, Russell, Chambers, Clark, Stoker, E. P. Edwards, C. Rod, Redman, Paul, Munro, Smalley, Cox, and Cardiac.

Colours—Frost, Hopkins, Kistner, Gallagher, Griffiths, Reid, Stewart, Hutchison, Henderson, Humphreys, Peers, Dunnet, Walkden, Bradford, Watson, Coppin, Schmedel, Cunningham, Andrews, Sharp, P. E. Wilson, Benda, B. Hayes, E. Edwards and Scott.

FOR THE PUNTER HOW PONIES FARED OVER TO-DAY'S DISTANCES

THE appended tables show how the ponies fared over respective distances during the first half at the Valley. The numbers in brackets indicate the ponies' names indicate the weights they are scheduled to carry to-day, while the numbers under the distances indicate the weight carried by the ponies in races over those distances in the first half. Figures in brackets denote whether the ponies won or whether they were placed second or third.

BIG WAVE BAY HANDICAP "A" CLASS—6 FURLONGS.

	5 Furlongs	6 Furlongs	7 Furlongs
Cossack's Beauty (154)	—	—	—
Diana Bay (165)	158(2)	—	—
Gladiator (140)	158(2) 158	143(3)	—
Honey-moon Eve (155)	—	161(1) 148	—
King's Warden (168)	—	—	—
Oak Bay (147)	158	148(2)	—
Royal Scot (158)	—	151(1)	—
Soldier of Britain (151)	161(1) 165	151	—

ISLAND BAY HANDICAP "C" CLASS—6 FURLONGS (1ST SEC.)

	5 Furlongs	6 Furlongs	7 Furlongs
Bistre (147)	—	158	—
Boat Bay (156)	162	—	—
Bright View (168)	147	160	—
Great Hall (154)	151	148(3)	—
Harvest View (158)	157 157(1)	161 145	—
King's Bounty (156)	158 161(3)	158 140	—
King's Sceptre (151)	154(1)	161	—
Laughing Girl (148)	151(3)	158(2)	160(2)
Mayflower (146)	156	151	—
Monoplane (158)	146	—	—
Pontiac Bay (168)	168(2)	150	—
Ribble (156)	—	149	—
Royal Consort (148)	—	158(3) 165(2)	—
Soldier of China (168)	—	—	—
Soldier of Peace (158)	—	—	—

ISLAND BAY HANDICAP "C" CLASS—6 FURLONGS (2ND SEC.)

	5 Furlongs	6 Furlongs	7 Furlongs
Amberley (158)	151(2) 148(3)	158	164(3)
Don (145)	—	—	154(1)
Donovan (152)	141	156 163	—
Flybynight (150)	149	163	—
High Honour (154)	—	158	158(1)
Rose Evelyn (158)	—	—	—
Rousseau (151)	146	166(1) 151(3)	—
Royal Highness (163)	161 154	163	—
Silver-Smith (153)	—	—	—
Tiny Star (168)	—	—	—
Tyne (161)	155 158(1)	—	—
Valorous (155)	155	147(2)	—
What A Chance (161)	154	133(1)	—
Ythan (158)	144(2)	168(3) 161(1)	—

CORROBORREE HANDICAP "A" CLASS—5 FURLONGS

	5 Furlongs	6 Furlongs	7 Furlongs
Australian Boy (142)	158(1)	145	—
Bobniak Star (135)	155	162(1) 155(3)	—
Derby Day (145)	142(1)	162(2) 155(2)	—
Double Finesse (135)	155	155	—
Electron (145)	156(1) 155	156 155(1)	—
Holiday Eve (155)	—	155(1)	—
Just That (152)	—	—	—
Lancashire Lad (140)	—	152	—
Saucy Face (135)	—	—	—
Strathroy (165)	165(2)	152(1)	—
Vixen Tor (147)	152(3)	—	—

TWEED ISLAND BAY HANDICAP "B" CLASS—1 MILE

	Once Round	1 Mile	1 Mile 155 Yds
Bear Claw (152)	—	155 155	155(2)
Cyclamen Bay (160)	—	149	151
King's Pancy (147)	—	165	136
King's Jubilee (140)	—	158 163	159
King's Justice (161)	—	161(3) 168(1)	154
King's Lead (155)	—	155 161	148(1)
Mistake Bay (154)	161(3)	150(1)	154
Rose-Queen (157)	—	146(2) 161 165(2)	154(3)
Sadko (158)	—	—	—

JUNK BAY HANDICAP "D" CLASS—1 MILE (FIRST SECTION)

	Once Round	1 Mile	1 Mile 155 Yds
Daylight Eve (149)	—	168	153
Diogenes (161)	—	150 153 145	141(2)
Foxbridge (141)	—	150(3) 150(3) 150(3)	149
Gold Sovereign (145)	—	149(2) 159 154(3)	—
Mountain View (145)	—	155(1)	—
Night View (158)	—	145 149 148	—
Plain View (156)	—	155 140(1) 145(2)	151(1)
Pride of Tsingtao (168)	—	155	—
Racing Boy (168)	—	160 154	—
Seventeenth of Sept. (148)	—	159 152(3) 152(3)	151(3)
Sylvandale (156)	—	156 145(3)	—
The Gorilla (140)	—	168(1)	—
Wadebridge (161)	—	168(3) 163 156	140 163
Young Chap (168)	—	155 154(1) 142	140
Zero (161)	—	150 145 141 163 168	—

JUNK BAY HANDICAP "D" CLASS—1 MILE (SECOND SECTION)

	Once Round	1 Mile	1 Mile 155 Yds
Blue Ribbon (140)	—	165 148 168 135 150	151
Burgmaster (155)	—	158	140(2)
Celebration Time (148)	—	158(2) 158(1) 152 145	—
Copper Idol (165)	—	155 155 151	140
Double Chance (161)	—	166 159 154 159	158
Gold Coin (163)	—	154 161	150
King's Parade (153)	—	—	—
Ocean View (152)	—	157(2) 158(3) 158(3)	—
Ruby Star (140)	—	156 149(2) 142 140 150	140
Stepwatch (157)	—	152 153 135 155(2)	—
The Hero (148)	—	145(1)	—
Valley View (152)	—	160	155(3)
West Parade (161)	—	151 151(2)	161



This left hand of Jimmy Braddock's is under the close scrutiny of Dr. George Edson of the New York Boxing Commission. Maxie Schmeling (centre) hoped the commission would rule the hand all right so the scheduled world championship bout in September would go on. The decision, however, favoured Braddock and the bout was consequently postponed until June, 1937.

Rapier's Selections

RACE NO. 1—

SOLDIER OF BRITAIN
DIANA BAY
HONEYMOON EVE
Outsider — Gladiator

RACE NO. 2—

KING'S SCEPTRE
MONOPLANE
PONTIAC BAY
Outsider — Laughing Girl

RACE NO. 3—

DERBY DAY
STRATHROY
ELECTRON
Outsider — Bobniak Star

RACE NO. 4—

MISTAKE BAY
KING'S JUSTICE
ROSE-QUEEN
Outsider — Cyclamen Bay

RACE NO. 5—

SYLVANDALE
PRIDE OF TSINGTAO
NIGHT VIEW
Outsider — 17th Of September

RACE NO. 6—

HONEY
VIOLET QUEEN
ATLAS
Outsider — Centre Court

RACE NO. 7—

WHAT A CHANCE
VALOROUS
YTHAN
Outsider — Amberley

RACE NO. 8—

CASSIUS
JUDEA
POTLATCH
Outsider — Popular Star

RACE NO. 9—

BURGMASTER
STOPWATCH
VALLEY VIEW
Outsider — King's Parade

DAILY DOUBLE—SYLVANDALE AND WHAT A CHANCE

PRACTICE FOR THE INTERPORTERS

Two-Day Cricket Match

The Hong Kong Interport cricket team will be seen in action for the first time since their selection when they meet a team chosen from the Rest of the Colony in a two-day match on the Kowloon Cricket Club ground, commencing at 2 p.m. to-day. The game will be continued to-morrow, starting at 12 noon.

There has been no little speculation as to who will be sent out to open the innings with W. H. Colledge, and it will be interesting to see whether the selectors will have sufficient faith in K. Nazarian.

The teams will be as follows:—
Interport XI:—T. A. Pearce (Capt.), W. H. Colledge, Capt. D. W. Perse, A. H. Madar, E. F. Fincher, Lieut. G. Clegg, Hill, A. R. Minu, Lieut. C. C. Garthwaite, E. L. Gosano, R. Lee and K. Nazarian.

Rest of the Colony:—E. C. Fincher, L. D. Kilbee, E. Zimmer, H. Owen, Hughes, N. A. E. Mackay, A. W. Hayward (Capt.), A. E. Perry, Lieut. Rylands, F. C. Goodwin, F. D. Pereira and Ted. Tufnell.

STEVE BLOOMER'S RECORD BROKEN BY DEAN

After 30 minutes in the match between Everton and the Wednesday on September 2, at Goodison Park, "Dixie" Dean headed a fine goal from a corner and beat Steve Bloomer's League scoring record. It was Dean's 353rd goal in League football.

VAUCLOSE HANDICAP "B" CLASS—6 FURLONGS

	5 Furlongs	6 Furlongs	7 Furlongs
Atlas (165)	165	154 141	—
Blandford (165)	—	155 141(1) 150(2)	—
Centre Court (155)	140(2)	153	—
Gold Dragon (152)	—	152 146(1) 162	—
Honey (162)	152 147	146 143(3)	—
Night Star (147)	142	154 152	—
Perfect Day (152)	—	162	—
Racing Heart (155)	148	152 146(2) 145	—
Ranger (152)	—	165 157	—
Snowy River (156)	—	152	—
Streamline (152)	—	152(3) 152(3) 152(3)	—
Violet Queen (156)	152(3) 152(2)	155 146(1)	—
Zodiac (155)	152(2) 155(3) 155(2) 155	—	—

CLEAR WATER BAY HANDICAP "F" CLASS—1/2 MILE

	1/2 Mile	5 Furlongs	6 Furlongs
Balloes (158)	—	—	158 158 143
Cassius (144)	149(2)	155	149 150 144
Emergency Call (158)	—	158 144	144(3) 149(2)
Estover (168)	—	163	—
Gold Eagle (140)	153 154	152 142	—
Heriot (140)	161(2) 155(3)	161 153	156 150 140
Judas (158)	153	—	—
Laughing Buddha (168)	—	168	—
Locksmith (155)	—	155	—
Old Star (161)	—	161 139 168(3)	—
Popular Star (155)	—	148	140
Potlatch (140)	161 153	161 153	—
Shamrock (140)	147	154(3)	155 155 151 152

WORLD CHAMPION IN BEST FETTLE

LOCAL STARS NO MATCH FOR VISITORS

LARGE GATHERING AT Y.M.C.A. POOL

(By "Crawl")

A SPLENDID exhibition of swimming was witnessed in the European Y.M.C.A. pool yesterday evening, when the Japanese World Olympic women's swimming team were featured in a series of events against the cream of local talent before the largest gathering ever recorded at the "Y" Bath.

Swimming with effortless ease, the Japanese women were a wonderful picture of perfect synchronisation and rhythm and, in spite of performing at "exhibition speed," they proved much too good for the local swimmers and invariably finished up over half a length in the lead.

The outstanding feature of the afternoon's swimming was in the 150 Yards breast-stroke exhibition, in which Miss H. Maehata, the world and Olympic 200 Metres champion, gave a wonderful performance, finishing a full length ahead of Miss Dora Lum, the Kwangtung Provincial champion, whose plucky swim against a much better trained swimmer, evoked great applause.

Miss Maehata's plunge and three strokes under water which carried her almost three-quarters the length of the pool, immediately brought back memories of Reizo Koike, the world famous Japanese breast-stroke swimmer, whose performance in the "Y" pool two years ago, will never be forgotten by those who were privileged to see it.

Contrast In Styles
There was a distinct contrast in styles among the Japanese women, and Miss Matsumura drew exclamations of amazement with her effortless swimming with a stiff over-arms stroke, while Miss Kojima, who came in first in just under 60 seconds, was a perfect example of Yusa, one of Japan's finest sprinters and winner of the 100 Metres title in the 1932 World Olympic Games.

Miss Kojima moved along with plenty of power and with a leg-thrust very much resembling a speed-boat's propellers, while what impressed me the most was the extraordinary good turning the visitors performed in this their first swim in the pool. This was most noticeable in the 100 Yards back-stroke exhibition, in which both Miss H. Morioka, who came first, and Miss S. Takamura, who came second, assumed a clear two yards lead over Miss Leung Wing-han, whose method of turning would have disqualified her in any representative meet.

Diving Display
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KOWLOON EASY CHAMPIONS

Army Schools' Aquatic Sports

KEEN RIVALRY DISPLAYED

The Army School's annual aquatic sports were held in the Victoria Recreation Club pool yesterday, when Kowloon Schools scored 56 points to win the Sandilands Championship Flag from the Hong Kong representatives, who scored only 23 points.

Kowloon had definitely the better swimmers, but the keenest rivalry was displayed throughout the sports, and the way in which victory and defeat was taken alike, reflected great credit not only on the children, but also on the schools concerned.

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TO-DAY'S LAWN BOWLS

Taikoo Favoured To Beat C.S.C.C.

The Lawn Bowls League programme for to-day consists of three matches, two in the senior division, and one amongst the juniors. After their very creditable win over Craigengower Cricket Club "B" last Saturday, Taikoo stand a very good chance of winning their home fixture against the Civil Service Cricket Club.

Recreio will be at home to Craigengower "B" and should win, while the Portuguese club are also favoured in their Second Division game against the Civil Servants, at Happy Valley.

"Skip's" forecast is given below—

FIRST DIVISION

TAIKOO (—) v Civil Service (—)

RECREIO (68) v C.C.C. "B" (46)

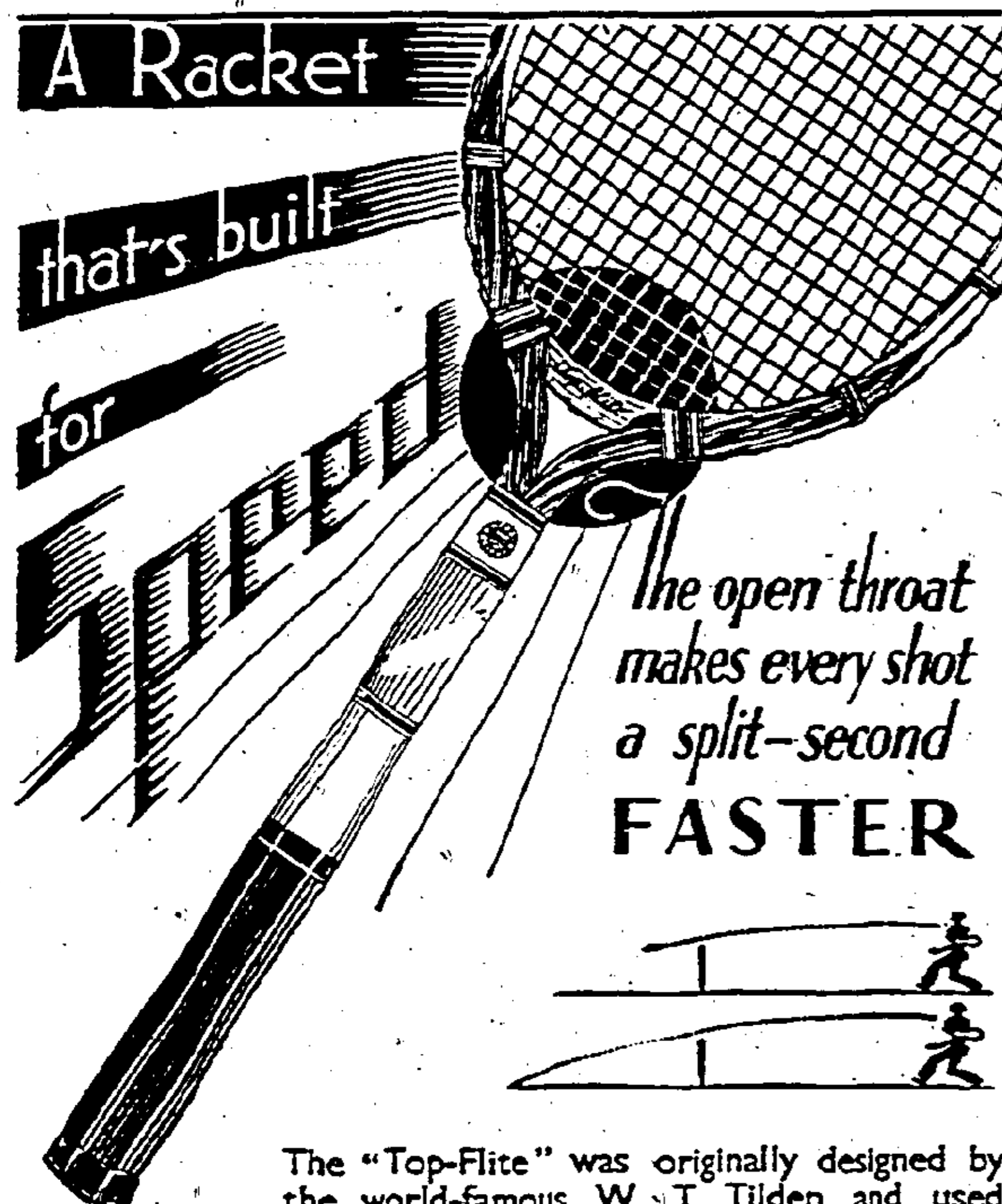
SECOND DIVISION

CIVIL SERVICE (62) v RECREIO (67)

Figures in brackets denote the result of the corresponding game last season, while underlined teams are favoured to win.

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OPENING OF LOCAL SOCCER LEAGUE TO-DAY

SUNDAY'S SOCCER PROGRAMME

Kowloon Chinese
Make Debut

KWONG WAH'S FIRST
APPEARANCE

(By "ROVER")
There is an interesting football match in the First Division of the League to-morrow afternoon when the Kowloon Chinese make their debut against the Fusiliers, and although the latter will be fielding practically the same team as last season, their opponents will probably extend them all the way.

The Kowloon Chinese players, or most of them, were formerly with the Athletic and will have the advantage of knowing each other's play. The Chinese play fast and neat soccer and on current form should take both points.

There is one Second Division match, in which the same two Clubs meet, and here the decision should be reversed.

The Kwong Wah, which is another name for the China Light and Power Co., make their debut in the League against the European Police in the Third Division and an interesting match should result.

The Police will have the majority of last season's players to call upon, while Tillery, who played for Kowloon for several seasons, will be seen in the Kwong Wah pivotal position.



SIR J. CAHN'S CRICKET XI FOR MALAYA

Professionals May
Be Included

DEARTH OF DEPENDABLE
LOCAL BATSMEN

(By "LEIGHTON")

Singapore, September 18.
The news that Sir Julien Cahn is definitely to bring a cricket team to Malaya next year is gratifying. It may include two or three "pros," but will be mostly composed of first-class amateurs and be almost if not quite up to the standard of the Australian side whose visit under Macartney's captaincy is still remembered with such delight.

Unfortunately, it does not seem likely that it will be possible to field such a talented Malayan eleven as that which won such a glorious victory over Macartney's men in that thrilling match at Kuala Lumpur. However, let's not be pessimistic—there is some very promising material here and there in the country, and quite a useful side may be built from it.

It seems a pity that no professional coaching is yet possible; it is just what some of our younger players need to develop the "class" touch.

Mechanical Bowlers

It is perhaps in bowling more than in batting that scope offers for expert tuition. Local bowlers, with some natural talent, are far too mechanical, and don't "think" the batsmen out, by studying their weaknesses and playing on them, as the really first-class bowler does.

The one Malayan trundler of recent years who has really developed that side of the art is Bostock-Hill, and he is in the veteran stage now.

Generous Tribute

The Australians paid generous tribute to him—as to "Doc" Hennessy, who though even then a veteran tied them up so effectively when the Kuala Lumpur wicket began to crack up, and help him so usefully.

Where are our batsmen to hit up runs against Sir Julien's team? There is a dearth of dependable men like Congdon, Barker Taylor, Bryan, Lall, Singh, Leijssens, Llyock, Stewart Brown, Brand, Rhodes, Hopkins and other gifted willow-wielders of recent years. Maybe some will emerge before next year's big games come along.



A. S. Bliss, Hon. Secretary of the K. F. C., will again be seen in their centre-half berth this season and will be on view against the Rifles to-day.

INTERESTING JUNIOR LEAGUE SOCCER CARD

Lyemum's Stiff Task:
Kowloon Stronger

SMALL UNITS "DERBY"
ENCOUNTER

(By "ROVER")

The presence of two Artillery teams and the debut of the Chinese Police are the outstanding features in to-day's Second Division football programme.

The two best games in this division will probably be those between the East Lancers and Lyemum, and the Engineers and Stonecutters. Both the Artillery teams were in the First Division last season and both have retained all last year's players. The East Lancers were runners-up in the Junior League, while the Engineers are the present holders of the Junior Shield.

The Club have a good team for their game against the Chinese Police, and with Millington, Nicholls and Matthieu in the defence, should do well against the opposing forwards who will include George Tsang, former South China "B" team leader.

Navy Strong

Due to the fact that the Navy have no senior fixture this week, they are in a position to field a strong reserve team against Eastern, and should win comfortably.

A good game should be seen between the Rifles and Kowloon. The former have a good side, while Kowloon will be in the fortunate position of fielding one of the best sides they have done in the Second Division for many years. W. Knox and Willis, both of whom played in the senior team last season, will be included. Evans, of the Fusiliers, will be leading the attack.

There are only three Third Division games down for decision to-day and with the exception of the game between the Ordnance Corps and the Service Corps; the other two games appear likely to result in easy wins for the East Lancers and the Engineers.

League Football Teams For This Week-End

FIRST DIVISION

St. Joseph's:—E. M. Marques, V. Costa and L. Souza; O. M. Omar, A. Hossain and Elms; T. Castilho, N. Delgado, D. Leonard, A. Ward and L. Fernandez.
South China "B":—Wong Wah-kai; Chung Fui-lun and Leung In-chun; Tong Kwan, Lam Tak-po and Henry Young; Yip Yuen-po, Chan Tak-fai, Ng Po Kui, Lai Shui-wing and Lee Shuk-yau.

Kowloon Chinese:—Wong Cheung; Chan Hong-kwong and Ho Chor-yin; Lai Kong-hee, Lai Kwok-chui and Wong Wing-hon; Tam Kwong-sun, Yeung Kam-po, Au Ping-ming, Chow Man-chee and Wu Tin-po.
Rifles:—Connor, Pickering and Stevens; McGonigal, Moore and Miller; Erwin, Stevens, Ferguson, Killen and Hartigan.

East Lancers:—Oxford, Swain and Steele; Thorpe, Gorman and Crowther; Eckersley, Lawton, Sandford, Smith and Ridding.
Recreio:—R. Marques; E. Silva and A. V. Gosano; Fernandes, Beltrao and V. Marques; C. Marques, Aquino, J. Gomes, E. Campos and T. Alves.
Police:—McHardy, Blackburn and Greig; North, Brooks, Parker, Gough, Johnson, Green, Morris and Moss.

Club:—G. Rodgers, Hill and S. Strange; Skinner, Forrow and E. Strange; F. Fowler, Fleming, Elliott, Wilson and Bickford.

Kowloon:—Boyes; Everest and Bowen, Roberts, Ellis and Boyd; Eastman, G. White, D. Knox, V. White and Honnibal.

SECOND DIVISION

Kowloon:—Minkett, Kemp and Humphreys; MacKenzie, Hastings and Mills; Gutierrez, W. Knox, Evans,

MANY CHANGES SEEN IN SENIOR TEAMS CLUB AND EAST LANCES SHOULD WIN

S. CHINA "B" FORMIDABLE SIDE

(By "ROVER")

THE absence of the League champions, South China "A," and the Royal Navy, the first appearance of the Eastern Athletic Association and of the Kowloon Chinese Football Club, in the First Division, will be the main features of the opening of the Hong Kong Football League this afternoon, when 14 matches in the First, Second and Third Divisions will be down for decision.

The absence of a Royal Artillery team from the First Division for the first time in many years will also be a very notable feature this season, and their subsequent fight for promotion, in view of their gallant efforts last season, will be followed with keen interest by soccer enthusiasts in the Colony.

There are several interesting fixtures in the First Division, the best of which will probably be the clash between the Club and the Police. The Club will have Hill back in the defence, with Fleming at inside-right in support of Fowler, Drown still being on the injured list.

The Police have made several interesting changes. Greig appears at left-back in the absence of C. File, who has left the Colony, while Brooks appears in the pivot position, with Parker reappearing at left-half. Gough will be seen on the right-wing with Johnson at inside-right. The latter, however, may not play as he is suffering from an injured arm. Green will lead the attack. With these numerous changes, the Police will take time to settle down and, with this in view, the Club's chances of opening their season with a win appear bright at the moment.

East Lancers Strong

The East Lancers, who look like opening their season with a win, are fielding a very powerful team against St. Joseph's. Oxford has been promoted to the first team's goalkeeping berth, while Lawton, who usually plays in the half-back line, will be seen at inside-right. Their attack is a formidable one and should register at least on three occasions against the Saints.

The Saints have many newcomers, E. M. Marques being in goal, while O. M. Omar will be at right-half instead of Hussain, who moves to centre-half in the absence of Sinclair. T. Castilho, the other newcomer, will be seen on the right-wing.

Good Fight Expected

A very good game should be witnessed when Kowloon meet the Rifles at Chatham Road. Kowloon have so far displayed excellent form in their friendly games and, with D. Knox in splendid fettle,



C. Blackburn, the Police right-back, above, will bear the brunt of the Club attack in to-day's First Division League match.

they should hold their own. The Rifles have made one important change—Moore, a late arrival last season, will fill the centre-half berth formerly held by Campbell, who is shortly leaving the Colony for home.

Kowloon will have Boyd back in their intermediate line in support of Bliss on the left-flank, while Eastman, who has been tried on the right-wing, will make his first League appearance there to-day.

Formidable Team

South China "B," who were featured in nine drawn games last season, will be a formidable force this afternoon, when they clash with a much weakened Athletic side, the majority of whose players have joined the Kowloon Chinese.

Tong Kwan, who used to play for the South China "A" team team several seasons ago, will make a reappearance at right-half, while Leung In-chun will again be at right-back. The rest of the team is unchanged from last season, which gives them an added advantage over the Athletic, whose team is as yet unknown.

Eastern's Debut

Eastern make their first appearance in the First Division against Recreio and several interesting changes will be seen, the most notable being Cheng Shui-hong's transfer to the right-wing, where he proved his worth in the 1932 (November) Interport against Shanghai. The rest of the team are old hands with newcomers in Tang Yat-ming, who formerly played for South China between the "sticks."

Recreio are fielding several newcomers, E. Silva filling the vacancy at full-back caused by Bowen's departure to Kowloon, while A. V. Gosano will make a very welcome reappearance at right-back.

C. Marques, right-winger, and D. Aquino, inside-right, are newcomers to the First Division, but having played together in the junior League, they should do equally well in their debut to-day. Recreio play well as a unit and there is no reason why they should not record a win against Eastern, who, although they look powerful on paper, did not impress in their friendly game last Sunday against the Navy.



N. Beltrao, above, will skipper Club de Recreio's First Division team this season and will again be seen in the centre-half position.

"ROVER'S" FORECAST

The following is "Rover's" forecast for the week-end fixtures, giving the favoured teams in pronounced black letters:—

To-day	
First Division	
East Lancers v St. Joseph's	(Sookunpoo, 4.45 p.m.)
Club v Police	(Club, 4.45 p.m.)
Kowloon v Rifles	(Kowloon, 4.45 p.m.)
Athletic v South China "B"	(Caroline Hill, 4.45 p.m.)
Eastern v Recreio	(Causeway Bay, 4.45 p.m.)
SECOND DIVISION	
East Lancers v Lyemum	(Sookunpoo, 3.15 p.m.)
Engineers v Stonecutters	(Military, Happy Valley, 4.45 p.m.)
Club v Chinese Police	(Club, 3.15 p.m.)
Navy v Eastern	(Causeway Bay, 3.15 p.m.)
Kowloon v Rifles	(Kowloon, 3.15 p.m.)
Athletic v South China	(Caroline Hill, 3.15 p.m.)
THIRD DIVISION	
East Lancers v St. Joseph's	(Chatham Road, 4.45 p.m.)
Engineers v Recreio	(Military, Happy Valley, 3.15 p.m.)
R.A.O.C. v R.A.S.C.	(Navy, Happy Valley, 4.45 p.m.)
To-morrow	
FIRST DIVISION	
Fusiliers v Kowloon Chinese	(Sookunpoo, 4.45 p.m.)
SECOND DIVISION	
Fusiliers v Kowloon Chinese	(Sookunpoo, 3.15 p.m.)
THIRD DIVISION	
Kwong Wah v European Police	(Kowloon, 4.45 p.m.)
Chinese Police v Liga Portuguesa	(Kowloon, 3.15 p.m.)
Air Force v Medicals	(Chatham Road, 4.45 p.m.)

FOOTBALL CLUB BOWLS RESULTS

Prize Presentation
To-morrow

The following are the results of the Hong Kong Football Club lawn bowls tournaments:—
Club Championship: winner J. Rodgers; Runner-up E. J. Edwards.
Singles Handicap: winner E. J. Edwards (—5) Runner-up G. S. Rodger (+2).

Club Pairs:—
Winners L. A. Collyer and Dr. G. L. Shaw.
Runners-up Dr. J. A. R. Selby and G. S. Graver.
Risk Competition: Winners G. E. Stephens, A. McKellar, E. S. Carter and K. S. Robertson (skip).
Wappenschaw Competition 1st prize: J. F. MacGowan, 2nd Prize: Dr. G. L. Shaw; 3rd Prize: J. H. Gelling, 4th Prize: G. S. Graver.
The presentation of prizes will take place at the conclusion of the Risk Game arranged for the closing day to-morrow at 2.45 p.m.

THE FASTEST '100'

Leslie Ames's Great Innings


London, September 4.
Leslie Ames, the Kent and England batsman, hit up the fastest hundred of the season to-day while batting for an England XI against All India at Folkestone. Ames, who has been chosen to tour Australia with the M.C.C. team this winter, took only 68 minutes to complete his century.

Before Ames's great innings, the fastest hundred stood to the credit of E. C. M. Kington, the Oxford University player, who scored 102 in 70 minutes against Lancashire at Oxford on May 22.

Ames, did not impress in their friendly game last Sunday against the Navy.

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A Disservice To Democracy

At Transport House last month a conference assembled of the triple authorities of the Socialist Party to discuss the war in Spain and the attitude of the British Government and to issue a general statement of their own position. The latter proved to be a long and portentous disquisition in which not one of the governing sentences will command assent as a fair statement of the fact presented. It was as if a spirit of deliberate mischief had been set to play with and tangle the threads. Yet nothing could have been simpler and shorter than the statement which the situation really demanded, viz., warm approval of the British Government's policy of non-intervention. The Conference dared not directly attack that policy because it is manifestly approved by the general body of public opinion. Nor did it dare pretend that the Government were not strictly and honourably putting it into execution. The Socialist deputation which waited on Mr. Eden a day or two before came away from the interview satisfied that the Government were honouring their pledge. Why was no reference to this included in the subsequent statement? If its authors could have accused the Government of duplicity they would have embraced the opportunity with zest.

Instead, there was spatchcocked into the statement a clumsy and laboured paragraph regretting that "it should have been thought expedient on the ground of the dangers of war inherent in this situation" to conclude agreements among the Powers laying an embargo on the export of arms which places both belligerents on the same footing. If this expression of regret means anything it means that the Conference would have liked to see the embargo confined to the despatch of munitions to the insurgents. If that had been the policy of the British Government we certainly should not have seen Germany and now Italy, with all the other principal Powers, agree to prohibit the export of all arms to both belligerents impartially.

The Conference attributed the war to Fascism, accused Germany of establishing "a vast system of espionage, corruption and intrigue in Spain," and declared the course of events to have shown that "the Fascist Powers grow more reckless, aggressive and dangerous—a portent and a warning that the democratic nations cannot ignore." How do they propose, however, to take cognisance of it? Do they admire Russia's "democratic" way of dealing with those who are obnoxious to the Chief of the State, or the "democratic" invective in which the Moscow Press is now trying to better the recent Nazi example? If the rival parties in Spain must tear each other to pieces with their frenzied hatreds they must be left to it, so long as there is no means of stopping them without danger of embroiling other nations in war. That danger is real. The Government have done their best to avert it. The best service which those who profess their devotion to Democracy can pay to Democracy is to show to Europe a strong, united front at home. But that, unfortunately, is the very last thing that this meddling Conference had in mind.

AN ENEMY OF DRUGS

Sir M. Delevingne
At Geneva

GOOD WORK OVER MANY
YEARS' SERVICE

(By RONALD WOOLFREY)

By re-electing Sir Malcolm Delevingne as its President, the Supervisory Body of the League of Nations has conferred a well-deserved honour upon one of the most distinguished men produced by the British Civil Service. Although he retired a few years ago, Sir Malcolm will always be associated with the Home Office, where he worked for 40 years. But, since the Great War, the Deputy Permanent Under-Secretary of State has been equally well-known at Geneva. He has been a familiar figure at all the League meetings concerned with the suppression of the illicit traffic in dangerous drugs. To him and such colleagues as Sir John Campbell of India and Russell Pasha of Egypt has been due much of the success which has attended the League's efforts to rid the world of a vast social evil.

It was no accident that Sir Malcolm Delevingne came to devote so much of his time and energy to affairs at Geneva. In the early years of the present century, the impetus towards international co-operation in the handling of social and industrial problems had already begun. Sir Malcolm acted as British delegate at the Bernese conferences on labour regulation in 1905, 1906 and 1913. Thus he was a natural choice as Britain's representative on the Labour Commission of the Peace Conference after the Great War.

Expert On Drugs

After attending the first International Labour Conference at Washington in 1919, he was at intervals appointed British delegate to three of the Geneva conferences. Meanwhile, however, he had been coming to the fore as an expert on dangerous drugs. He was a tireless member of the League's Opium Committee, and did good work at the special conferences which resulted in the Opium Conventions of 1925 and 1931.

The Supervisory Body, over the meetings of which he has been invited to preside, looks after the operation of the latter convention on the limitation of drug manufacture. It is one of the League's finest achievements in the humanitarian sphere that it has been able to persuade the majority of countries to agree to restrict the output of drug factories in their territory.

EXPLANATION OF TO-DAY'S CARTOON

Porpoise Rodeos

A GREAT sport in El Camp, Texas, is riding the porpoise to death. The participants ride out in small outboard motor boats, and when a porpoise is sighted the chase is on. The man on the prow of the boat waits until he can harpoon the fish, and the boatman throws out a float attached to the harpoon by a long rope. Grabbing the rope the rider pulls himself astride of the porpoise while another man holds the tail of the fish. The porpoise-buster is then all set, puts his finger in the spout-hole of the fish which cuts off breathing, and in a short time the fish is drowned.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

A Dinner Dance will be held on the open roof of the Repulse Bay Hotel—weather permitting—and at the Repulse Bay Hotel in event of bad weather, to-day at 9 p.m., and the usual Tea Dance will be held to-morrow at 5 p.m., at the Repulse Bay Hotel.

The R.M.S. Empress of Canada is due in Hong Kong from Vancouver on the morning of November 6.

Two cases of enteric fever were reported to the local Health authorities during the 24 hours ended on Thursday.

Here There and Everywhere.

FOR THE CORONATION

The Coronation Souvenir Programme, which is to be issued by the King George's Jubilee Trust, is an interesting document, although most of its pages are at this stage blank. They merely bear headings such as "The King's Majesty," by John Drinkwater; "King Edward VIII," by Hector Bolitho; and "The Service at Westminster: An Introduction by His Grace the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury."

One of its 32 pages is to be occupied by a poem by the Poet Laureate, Mr. John Masefield. At the top of the page are the words: "The Coronation of His Most Gracious Majesty King Edward VIII." At the foot is the signature "John Masefield."

To represent the still uncomposed poem the printers have filled the intervening space with a series of long black lines. There are what appear to be six couplets, followed by three final lines of equal length.

"This does not, however, mean that Mr. Masefield is contemplating a new form of extended sonnet. He said when asked recently that he had not yet begun work on his Coronation poem, and that it would be some time before he decided what form it would take.

Your Daily Smile!

"Spinoza," a writer reminds us, "believed that there was never any change." He was evidently one of nature's attempts to produce the perfect taxicab driver.

"There are too many smash-and-grab raiders in London," says a writer. How many ought there to be?

Generous

The young bride was extolling the virtues of her husband to a friend. "George is just the most generous man in the world," she declared. "He gives me everything credit can pay."

Aha!

"Ah, Egbert, Marie said she dreamt last night she danced with you—" "You thrill me!" "—and then woke up to find her little brother pounding her feet with a skillet!"

Sh-sh!

"Mother," asked little Willie, when there were guests to dinner, "will the dessert not be good for me, or is there enough to go around?"

HOW RIDER HAGGARD ACHIEVED FAME

EARLY STRUGGLES OF A GREAT AUTHOR

BOY WHO WAS "ONLY FIT TO BE
A GREENGROCER"

(By Lillias Rider Haggard)

I DO not think my father can ever have been a talented child, or shown any promise of the gifts which in after years brought him a very considerable measure of success not only as an author, but as an authority on such widely differing subjects as agriculture, emigration, forestry and Imperial affairs connected with the Dominions. For all these causes he laboured with an enthusiasm and a far-seeing idealism, offshoots of the same truly romantic mind which gave the world his books.

It is an old story in our family that my grandmother once described my father as "heavy as lead in body and mind," and my grandfather, commenting on the result of some youthful examination, declared that he was "only fit to be a greengrocer," which my father said he considered an insult to an admirable profession. His education, as the sixth son of a county squire, did not help matters, perhaps, but he finally passed into the Foreign Office at the age of 19, and on to the staff of Sir Henry Bulwer, Lieut.-Governor of Natal, in 1875.

Through some special work with Sir Theophilus Shepstone he came to know the Zulu nation, a people for whom he had the greatest admiration, and whose tragic and bloody history inspired what he always thought were some of his best books, "Nada the Lily," "Marie," "Child of Storm," and "Finished."

Rise And Fall

They dealt with the rise and fall of the mighty race of the Zulus, and called forth the remark from one who had been 20 years Secretary for Native Affairs in Natal that "they were animated with the true spirit of the Zulu people."

After various adventures, he returned to England finally in

1881, and started to read for the Bar, at the same time writing his first book, "Cetewayo and His White Neighbours," an account of then recent affairs in Zululand. After sending it on a fruitless pilgrimage to various publishers, my father was obliged to pay £50 for its production. It sold 154 copies out of 750. The depressed publishers, however, had a better day in store, for during the Boer War it was reprinted and sold 30,000 copies in an abridged edition.

In 1882 he and my mother, who were then living at Norwood, saw a remarkably lovely face one Sunday in church, and decided that they would write a novel round the owner thereof. My mother rapidly ceased her efforts, but my father grew interested, and wrote his first novel, "Dawn," dedicated to this day to the "Unknown lady once seen but forgotten, the magic of whose face first turned my mind to the making of books."

Eyesight Gave Out

"Dawn" was rewritten three times and the MS. was 200,000 words long—no wonder my father's eyesight gave out and he had to finish the manuscript in a darkened room. Hurst and Blackett accepted "Dawn," but the book was more or less a failure. It was followed by "The Witch's Head," which did a little better from a financial point of view, although the outlook was not encouraging.

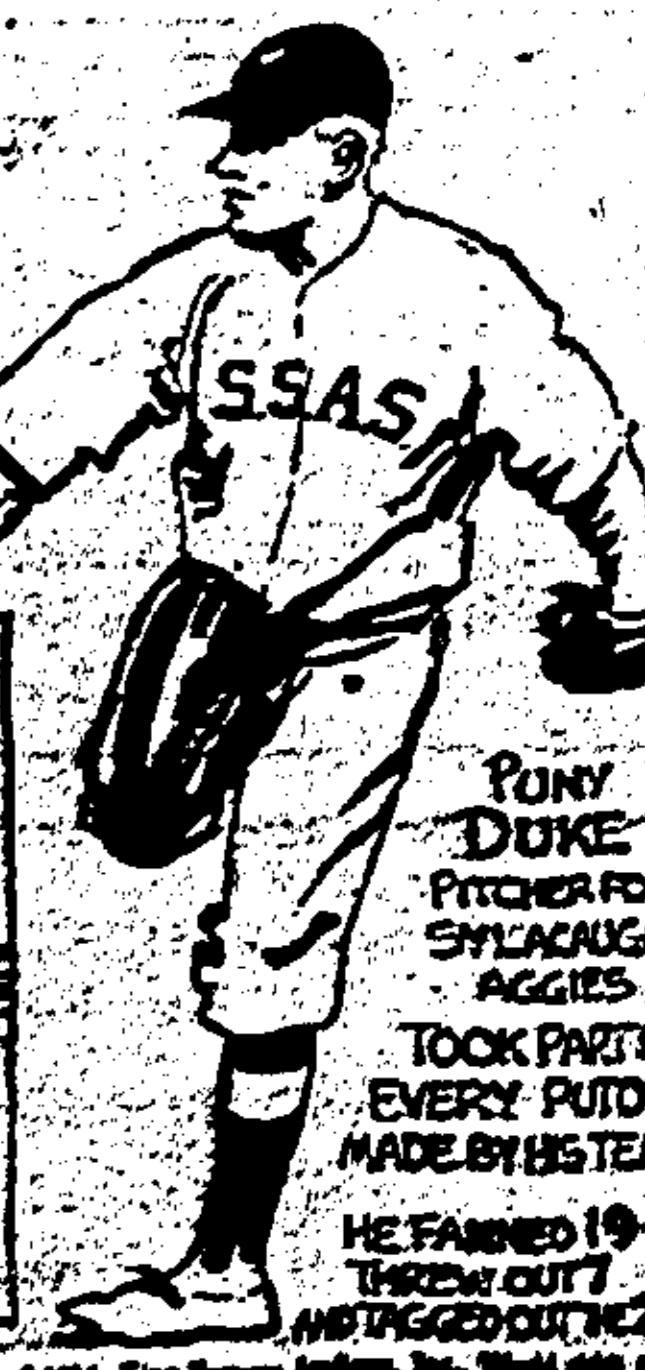
My father had written three books: the first cost him £50, the other two only brought in £50 between them, and then sales ceased. So, but for a chance, would have his literary efforts, for he was hard up, with a young family and no prospects, and seemed to be heading for that state of destitution prophesied by my grandmother if he would become "a penny-a-liner." (I may mention that "Dawn" and

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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



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GOOD YEAR'S WORK REVIEWED

Annual Meeting of C.S.C.C.

MR. G. R. SAYER HONOURED

Mr. G. R. Sayer presided at the annual general meeting of the Civil Service Cricket Club which was held last evening, and in the course of his speech he referred to the death of Mr. L. E. Longbottom, who, he said, had been a most valuable member, and had taken infinite care to see that everything was ship-shape in the Club. They had also lost two valuable members, who had gone home on retirement, Messrs. A. O. Brown and S. Alderman, both of whom had served the Club for many years, and to whom they were greatly indebted.

Turning to the accounts, they had made a profit of nearly \$2,000 on the bar account, and had also been able to bring in several hundred dollars as regards the billiard table.

Mr. Sayer then put the report and accounts to the meeting. It was seconded by Mr. E. B. Reed and carried.

The Chairman proposed that \$50 be subscribed towards the Children's Playground Fund, which was unanimously carried.

Mr. Maughan's proposal that the meeting should recommend to the incoming committee that all entrance fees should be set apart to be applied to liquidate the liability building loan and to form a sinking fund to provide for wasting assets, was carried.

Office Bearers
The election of office-bearers for the current year resulted as follows: Patron, H. E. Sir Andrew Caldecott; President, Mr. G. R. Sayer; Vice-Presidents, the Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson, Mr. E. W. Hamilton and Mr. E. B. Reed; cricket captain of first eleven, Mr. F. Baker; vice-captain, Mr. A. E. Perry; captain of second eleven, Mr. F. J. Ling; vice-captain, Mr. J. E. McGowan; cricket representative, Mr. C. Strange; tennis representative, Mr. R. A. J. Simpson; Lawn bowls, Mr. J. F. McGowan; Billiards, Mr. A. W. Grimmit; Greenranger, Mr. J. Carr; Librarian, Mr. F. W. Bradley; bar convener, Mr. J. Gellatley; other members of General Committee, Messrs. R. B. Wood and P. E. Knight; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. B. J. Murray; Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. Deakin; Auditors, Messrs. W. J. Burling and J. Cook.

Messrs. F. J. Ling, C. J. Tacchi, A. O. Brown and S. Alderman were made life-members. The meeting then closed.

An examination for Pilots' Licences will be held at the Harbour Office at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, October 7.

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K.C.C. ANNUAL MEETING

Mr. Justice Lindsell Again President

MEMBERS MAKE APPEALS

The annual general meeting of the Kowloon Cricket Club was held last evening when Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell was again re-elected President and Mr. E. Abraham vice-president. Mr. S. A. Gray made an appeal to the Club to devote more facilities for the training of the younger tennis players, while badminton, and the adaptation of rough ground for sporting purposes were among the subjects recommended to the attention of the incoming committee.

In the absence of the president, Mr. Justice Lindsell, Mr. E. Abraham occupied the chair and remarked that the Committee was satisfied with the financial position of the Club and recommended that a further \$3,000 worth of debentures be redeemed.

Among those present were: Messrs. W. W. Hirst, G. Lee, F. E. Nash, H. Overy, J. S. Smith, C. J. Tacchi, F. Goodwin, V. C. Labrum and F. G. Maunder.

The Chairman said:—The Club's activities have been well maintained in all directions and our senior cricket team distinguished itself once again in winning the League Championship. Our heartiest congratulations are due to Mr. Frank Goodwin and the members of his team. Our 2nd XI also did exceedingly well, as out of 15 matches played, they were only defeated once.

As to League tennis, we were fairly successful with our senior teams only. I personally think it was a mistake to have entered so many teams in the League and would suggest that in future we hold more American tournaments so as to give the juniors an opportunity of improving their play by meeting the better players of the Club.

Accounts Reviewed
Turning now to the accounts. The income and expenditure account shows a loss on working of \$218.72 as against \$1,360.61 last year. This is after writing off \$3,622.32 depreciation on the club house, billiard tables, fittings and gear.

Entrance fees amounting to \$1,150.00 have been credited direct to the reserve account, which in actual fact shows an increase of \$931.28 over last year.

During the year your Committee pursued a policy of economy in all directions and the result is a reduction of \$1,701.01 in overhead expenses. Your Hon. Secretary, Mr. V. C. Labrum, and your Bar Convener have both waived their \$100 against the possibility of loss in the future.

Subscriptions for the year are down, despite the fact that our total membership (including 24 lady subscribers) is up. Quite a few of the new members elected during the year are those who pay a reduced subscription, such as sea-going members and lady subscribers.

The profit on bar sales has increased. This was mainly due to the careful buying on the part of your Bar Convener.

Debentures Reduced
Turning to the balance sheet it is to be noted that debentures have been further reduced. The Club should, as far as possible, continue to redeem its debentures, as each debenture redeemed means a saving interest. The liquid position of the Club (i.e. value of stocks plus sundry debtors plus cash, less creditors) is \$10,500 approximately, and therefore, in my opinion, it is possible further to redeem our debentures by \$3,000. This is being done at the end of this meeting.

The outgoing Committee has made a recommendation to the incoming Committee to look into this question of building a new bowling green and tennis courts on the top ground when funds permit.

Officers Elected
The adoption of the report and accounts was seconded by Mr. C. W. Jeffries, and was carried. The following officers were appointed: President, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell; vice-President, Mr. E. Abraham; Cricket Captain, Mr. F. Goodwin; vice-Captain, Mr. E. C. Fincher; Hon. Secretary, Mr. V. C. Labrum; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. F. G. Maunder; Bowls Convener, Mr. L. Jack; Tennis Representative, Mr. A. W. Ramsey; Committee, Messrs. W. W. Hirst.

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'Bob and Bertie Hellman' will make their bow to the Hong Kong public in the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel on Saturday next.

U.S. BASEBALL RESULTS

Yankees Win Close Encounter

GIANTS ALSO SUCCESSFUL

New York, To-day.
The following were the results of the major League Baseball matches played yesterday:—

	R.	H.	E.
New York	3	13	1
McCarthy homered.			
Boston	2	6	0
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Cincinnati	3	7	0
St. Louis	2	11	0

There were no other games scheduled in the National League.

American League

	R.	H.	E.
New York	6	13	2
Crossetti and Rolfe made home runs.			
Philadelphia	5	13	2
Puccinelli and Johnson homered.			
St. Louis	8	12	0
Cleveland	2	6	0
St. Louis	6	13	1
Cleveland	7	9	2
Earl Averill hit a homer.			
Boston	3	8	2
Washington	9	9	1

There were no other games scheduled in the American League.—Reuter.

R.A.M.C. ASSN. HOLD FIRST DANCE

Members of the Royal Army Medical Corps Association spent a very enjoyable evening yesterday when they held their first dance of the year in the ballroom of the Hotel Cecil. The attendance was over 100 couples, and before the end of the function the secretary of the Association announced that in view of the evening being such a great success the Association would hold a dance once a month. This announcement was very well received.

W. L. Mackenzie, A. W. Ramsey, L. Jack, F. E. Nash, A. A. Dand, C. J. Tacchi, A. Nassim, Hon. Auditors, Lowe, Bingham and Matthews. The usual honours were granted.

Next Racing Programme

The following is the programme for the Eighth Extra Race Meeting, to be held at the Valley on Saturday, October 10:—

1—2.00 P.M.—Double Tenth Plate. Winner \$600. Second \$250. Third \$150. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$5. Five Furlongs.

2—2.30 P.M.—Kiangsi Handicap.—First Section—Winner \$450. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China Ponies. "C" Class. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

Note:—One Entry only will be made for the Kiangsi Handicap (Races Nos. 2 and 3). Entries will be divided into First and Second Sections at the discretion of the Handicapper.

3—3.00 P.M.—Canberra Handicap.—Winner \$450. Second \$250. Third \$150. For Australian Ponies. "A" Class. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (About One Mile 155 Yards).

4—3.30 P.M.—Sub-Griffins Astoria Plate.—Winner \$300. Second \$250. Third \$150. For China Ponies. Subscription. Griffins of this Club of

KOWLOON EASY CHAMPIONS

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the conclusion of the races Mrs. Bartholomew gave away the prizes. Not the least part of the afternoon's enjoyment, particularly for the children, was that the makers of 'Ovaltine,' Messrs. A. Wander Ltd., had an attractive stand where cups of 'Ovaltine' were served by the 'Ovaltine' Country Girl to the contestants, free of charge.

RESULTS

The results were as follows:—
Boy's 50 Yards Championship: T. Wigham (Kowloon), J. Rodgers (H. K.), G. Clark (Kowloon). Time: 46 secs.
Girls: Ivy Dale (Kowloon), Betty McGinnis (Kowloon), Audrey Bowler (Kowloon). Time: 49 4/5 secs.
Boy's 100 Yards Championship (11 Years and Over): D. Manders (H. K.), W. Mitchell (Kowloon), P. Hopkins (Kowloon). Time: 1 min. 42 secs.

Girls: D. Grinham (Kowloon), E. Erwin (H. K.), A. Arnold (H. K.). Time: 1 min. 40 4/5 secs.
Boy's High Dive: G. Smith (Kowloon), W. Mitchell (Kowloon), N. Draper (Kowloon).

Girls: M. Farrar (H. K.), D. Grinham (Kowloon), V. Sanderson (Kowloon).

Boy's 25 Yards Novices Race: C. Dixon (Kowloon), D. Bland (H. K.), P. Cook (H. K.). Time: 19 secs.

Girls: C. Hampson (Kowloon), J. Wilkin (H. K.), J. Smith (Kowloon).

100 Yards Free Style (Girls and Boys who Left An Army School in July 1935): Norman Smith, R. Law. Time: 1 min. 22 1/2 secs.

100 Yards Open To H. K. Schools: D. Morris (C.B.S.), John Tai (Wah Yan), L. Gutierrez (La Salle). Time: 80 9/10 secs.

Long Plunge Girls and Boys: Dorothy Jerrard (H. K.), Denise Manders (H. K.), M. Farrar (H. K.). Distance: 36ft. 4ins.

25 Yards Novices Under 9 Years (Boys): J. Mitchell (Kowloon), Ernest Bond (Kowloon), Richard Ridings (Kowloon). Time: 22 secs.

Girls: D. Arnold (H. K.), M. Arnold (H. K.), D. Muller (Kowloon). Time: 25 2/5 secs.

Team Race (Girls and Boys Under 11 Years): Kowloon (T. Wigham, G. Clark, Ivy Dale, N. Draper, Joan Bowler and L. Archer).

11 Years and Over: Kowloon (W. Mitchell, Alexena Archer, C. Dixon, Marjorie Hazell, D. Warren, Dorothy Grinham).

The Sandilands "Championship" Flag: Kowloon 56 points; Hong Kong 28 points.

The Chinese Young Men's Christian Association are holding their half-yearly moonlight launch picnic next Tuesday. The launch, "Man Chi," will leave Blake Pier at 6 p.m.

WORLD CHAMPION IN BEST FEITLE

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ness of the depth of water—it was only 8 feet off the end of the board—and the stiffness of the diving board, the two performers, Miss Kono and Miss Osawa, only performed one dive each, but both were perfect specimens of grace and poise, the first performing a back-spring full somersault, entering feet first, while the latter executed a very graceful back pike dive, or jack-knife.

In addition to the three swimming events, there were two relays, a 150 Yards medley relay, in which both Japanese teams came first and second, and the 200 Yards free-style relay, in which the Japanese girls again triumphed.

Early Lead

Taking the events individually, the 100 Yards free-style saw the three Japanese swimmers, Miss Matsumura, Miss Kojima and Miss Furuta, take an early lead over Miss Thirwell and, swimming apparently without any effort, gradually drew away from the lone Colony swimmer, who finished up almost half a length behind the winner, Miss Kojima, who finished in front of Miss Furuta with a good burst of speed. All four swimmers were accorded a great ovation at the completion of their swim.

The start of the 100 Yards back-stroke exhibition saw Miss Leung Wing-han, the Kwangtung Provincial champion, take the lead for the first three-quarters of the length, but the turn saw the two Japanese women streak away into the lead amidst a burst of applause, and the race ended with Miss Meritoka reaching the finish first, followed by Miss Takamura. Miss Leung Wing-han was about 12 yards in the rear and received a thunderous ovation for her gallant effort.

Two Relays

The diving and breast-stroke exhibitions provided a respite for the swimmers taking part in the Medley Relay. In this Miss Leung Wing-han felt the strain of the 100 Yards back-stroke and lost a lot of ground in her 50 yards, the two Japanese women's teams assuming an early lead, which they maintained to the end.

The free-style relay, which followed, gave the spectators an opportunity of studying the Japanese women's contrast in styles as each swam her respective 50 yards.

At the conclusion, Mr. R. Goldmann, Hon. Secretary of the European Y.M.C.A., thanked the Japanese Olympic delegation and particularly the Ladies' swimming team, for the splendid exhibition which had provided a real treat for Colony swimming enthusiasts, and also the Japanese Consul-General, Vice-Consul and members of the Japanese community who had contributed towards the success of the exhibition.

The Japanese swimmers and officials stated that they were very pleased that an exhibition swim had been arranged and that their women swimmers had enjoyed the swimming as much as the spectators had enjoyed watching.

The entire delegation left the Colony yesterday evening by the s.s. Kasima Maru, for Shanghai and Japan. Among the large gathering of spectators were Mr. K. Midzusawa Consul-General for Japan in Hong Kong, and Mrs. Midzusawa, and Mr. Ishi, Japanese Minister Plenipotentiary to Siam, and Mr. H. Okamoto, Japanese Vice-Consul and his wife.

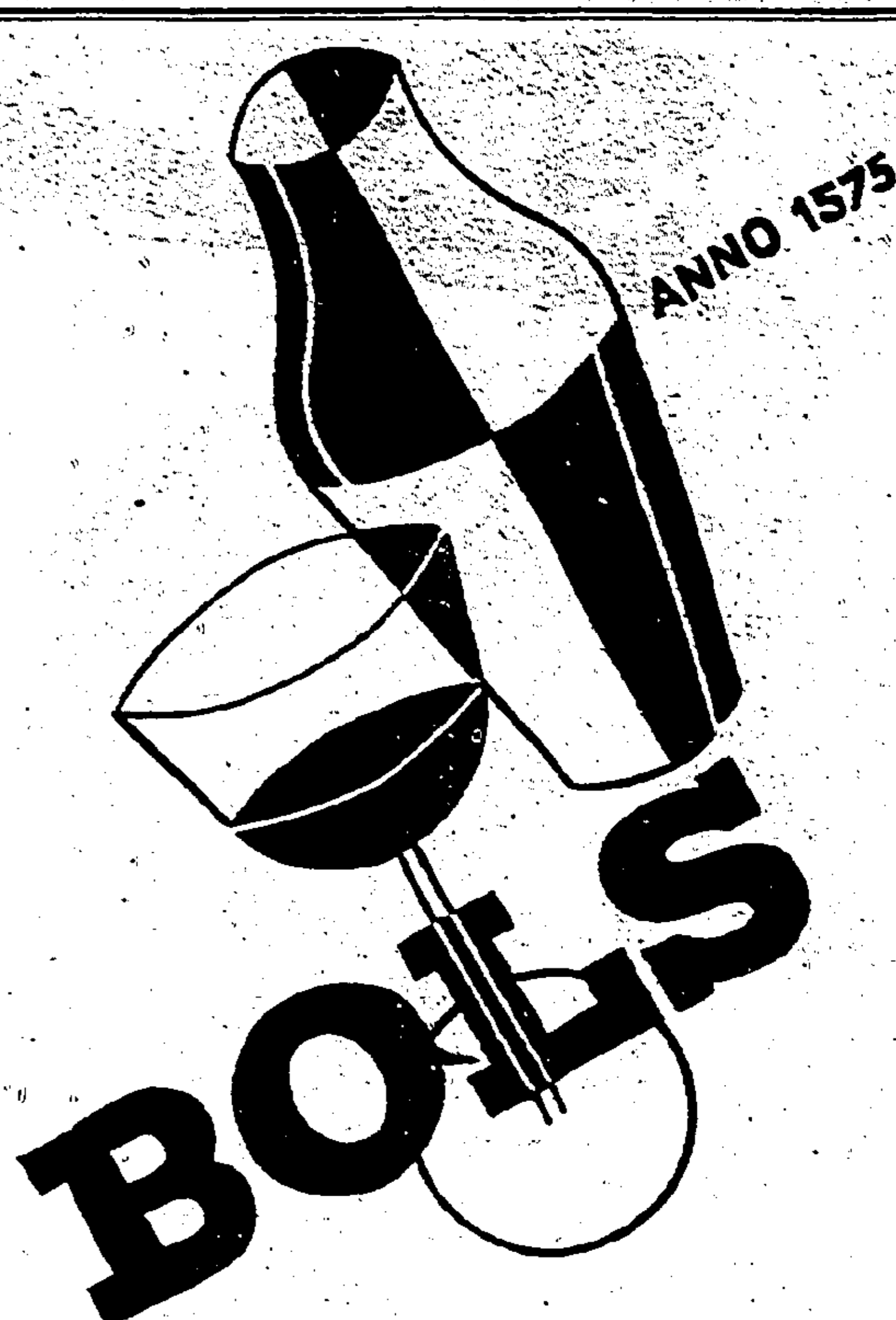
WONG CANCELS PASSAGE

May Meet The "Punjab Tiger"

Wong Bok-cheung, the American-born Chinese wrestler, cancelled his reservation on the s.s. President McKinley, which sailed for Shanghai last night.

Asked why he decided at the last moment to prolong his stay in the Colony, Wong replied, "Well, while there's a chance to pick up some money, why not stay here for a time?"

This may probably mean that he intends also to accept the open challenge thrown out to all wrestlers in the Colony by Harbans Singh, the "Punjab Tiger."



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Slough. A new airport is to be established at Slough, 17 miles from Hyde Park Corner.

Slough Urban Council has bought 200 acres of land at the western end of the Colnbrook by-pass. It bought up a whole farm for £63,000.

The Air Ministry has approved the site, and as this will be the only municipal airport in Buckinghamshire and is so near London, the Council has been asked to hurry the scheme through.

In addition to serving the Slough trading estate with its 200 farms, it will also be the airport for Eton College and Windsor Castle, which are within a few minutes' car ride. Maidenhead and Ascot are also within easy reach.

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NEW FACTORY FOR AIRCRAFT

£500,000 Structure In
Construction

Coventry.

Work has just begun on a new Government aircraft factory at Radford, Coventry. It is estimated that it will cost more than £500,000. When the factory is complete it will provide work for nearly 1,000 men.

It will be constructed and operated by the Government in conjunction with the Daimler Co. Ltd. The buildings will occupy seven acres.

It is understood that a condition of the Daimler contract with the Government is that the factory shall be in production in nine months from August 1, and that engines shall be turned out at full production capacity in from 12 to 18 months.

Special training will be given at the factory to young operators so that there may be plenty of skilled workmen when a call is made for full production.

145 LIVES SAVED BY PARACHUTES

Aggregate Figures For 10
Years Published

Since the parachute became compulsory standard equipment of R.A.F. aircraft in 1926 in England it has been responsible for saving 145 lives.

This figure includes several civil flying escapes and cases in which test pilots have had to make jumps.

In the United States since July, 1919, 843 lives have been saved by the same means. In the first six months of the present year 45 airmen of the Air Corps, the Reserve, the Navy, the National Guard, and commercial lines have been saved.

HOT AIR FOR AIRSHIPS?

Possibility Foreseen
In Belgium

Aviation experts in Belgium see the possibility of a new period in aerial navigation in the experiment made recently by Professor Auguste Piccard at Brussels. He pumped ordinary air into his stratosphere balloon. As it entered the balloon it was heated by an ordinary gas ring. During the ascent it was intended to keep the gas ring, which was extinguished by accident, burning.

The professor planned to regulate the heat of the air, by turning the gas up or down, while more air could be taken in if necessary during the voyage.

This use of warmed air is held to mean great economy and it eliminates all danger of explosion. In the course of the Piccard test, persons were smoking within a few yards of the inflated balloon. Airships will be fitted to run with warmed air, Belgian observers believe, and both balloon and dirigible will become more useful means of air travel by reason to the first lift medium.

R.C. BISHOP OF LEEDS

Once An Anglican
Curate

NOMINATION EFFECTED

Mgr. Henry John Poskitt, rector of St. Joseph's Seminary, Leeds, and a former Church of England curate, has been nominated by the Pope as Roman Catholic Bishop of Leeds, at the age of 48. He succeeds Bishop Cowgill, who died last May.

Born at Birkin in Yorkshire, Mgr. Poskitt was educated at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, and Ely Theological College. He took Anglican Orders in 1911, and was curate at St. Hilka's, Leeds, until 1915.

In that year he was received into the Roman Catholic Church at Ampleforth, and was ordained priest in 1917. He studied in Rome and in Paris from 1915 to 1922, being then made curate at Scarborough.

He has been rector of the Leeds Diocesan Seminary since 1932, when he was appointed Privy Chamberlain to the Pope with the title of Monsignor.

EFFECT OF NEW ACT

One False Coin Not
An Offence

The Counterfeit Coins Act, which came into force last month, saved Percy Charles Rollings, aged 20, of Tyneham-road, Battersea, from having to take his trial on a counterfeit coin charge.

It was alleged at South-Western police-court that Rollings had been in possession of one false coin, and he was sent for trial.

Later, Mr. Donald Powell, the magistrate, said to him: "I find that under a new Act it is not an offence to possess just one counterfeit coin. I will discharge you."

CANADIAN PILGRIM BURIED

In accordance with her wish Mrs. Rosina Kemp, one of the Canadian pilgrims who died soon after leaving her husband's grave at Vimy, was buried at Abney Park, London, N.

RIDER HAGGARD'S FAME

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"The Witch's Head" subsequently became extremely popular, selling as late as 1912 4,000 and 5,000 copies respectively in a single six months).

Boy's Book Tried

The chance alluded to was that my father read "Treasure Island," and was so struck with its success that he determined to try his hand at a boys' book. One of his brothers bet him a shilling that he could not do it, and he replied jokingly that he would beat Stevenson yet. He wrote "King Solomon's Mines" in six weeks of odd hours in the evenings snatched from his work. It was hawked from publisher to publisher, but none would touch it, until it came to Andrew Lang's notice (that was the beginning of a life-long friendship with my father), who said in a letter of criticism, "I almost prefer it to 'Treasure Island.'"

Cassells offered £100 for the copyright or an agreement on royalties. One hundred pounds was tempting to a man who needed it, and had no reason to value his own work, but a chance word from a clerk in the office caused him to change his mind at the last moment—a hint that he remembered afterwards with the deepest gratitude.

Huge Success

For "King Solomon's Mines" was an overwhelming success and sold in thousands, and a chorus of praise from all and sundry, including a letter from R. L. Stevenson which begins with the words: "Some kind hand has sent me your tale of 'King Solomon's Mines.' I do not know who did this good thing to me, so I send my gratitude to the fountain head." It is 50 years since "King Solomon's Mines" was written, and it is still selling.

The next year he wrote "Allan Quatermain," and introduced that hero of a hundred fights, the Zulu Umslopogaga. Those who still remember the thrills he gave them will be glad to know he was no figment of the imagination, but real flesh and blood. A photograph of his terrible old face, with the sunken hole in the temple, over his eye, hangs near me where I write. It was taken when he was dying.

"She" The winter of '85-6 my father wrote a novel of a very different character called "Jess." He described it as "A gloomy, painful story, a living record of our shame in South Africa, written by one who endured it, and therefore it lives—a bit of history put into human and tangible shape."

For this reason he could never bear to re-read it, and only did so once to correct it for a 27th edition. Last year a letter came from the authorities in Pretoria, saying they proposed to raise funds to buy "Jess's Cottage" for a museum for relics of my father's life and work in South Africa, and of the African books which he wrote, "Jess" being one of the most popular.

In the early spring "Jess" was followed by "She," which he wrote in less than six weeks. Thus between January and March, 1885 to 1886, my father, in the intervals of his very exacting work, wrote four of the most successful books of his career, unaided and in his own hand. "She" proved an enormous success, and the extraordinary impression it made on Andrew Lang when he read it is repeated all over the world. All his life my father found that "She" was continually used for purposes of comparison. I quote his own comment:

Millionaire Is Afraid To Enter New Mansion

One of the finest mansions in Shanghai remains unoccupied because the owner, a Chinese millionaire, dares not take possession. When the building was completed he was about to move in, but received a note from gangsters demanding \$5,000, says Reuter. They had, so they told him, "planted" a mine in the building, and unless they received the money asked for would set it off, and blow him and his family to pieces. The owner was unwilling to pay. He did not want to risk living in the house, nor did he wish to rent it, and thus endanger the lives of tenants.



An ensemble of rich brown wool is modelled here by Glenda Farrell, the screen actress. The dress shows a wide set-in band of lace which outlines the pointed shoulder yoke. The companion coat is seven-eighths length with a single button fastening at the neckline.

ment: "As though a man's brain could harbour a host of 'She's'—that is not possible, only one love of the kind is given to him."

Origin Of Title

The name "She" was taken from an old rag doll of hideous aspect kept by the nurse of his childhood days and brought out of a dark cupboard occasionally to frighten his brothers and sisters when they were naughty. "She" sold 30,000 copies in the first three months of publication.

In 1887 my father went to Egypt, a country which had fascinated him from boyhood. This journey marked the advent of a new type of book. "Cleopatra" was the first, which, with a later "Morning Star," also placed in Egypt, the Icelandic "Eric Brighteyes," and many others of the same kind that followed, showed his remarkable gift of absorbing the mentality and atmosphere of races long lost to the world. This gift impressed him so much personally that he was inclined to the theory of reincarnation to account for it. He said himself: "With the old Norse and Egyptians I am at home, I can enter into their thoughts and feelings—I can even understand their theology. I have a respect for Thor and Odin, and always feel inclined to bow to the moon."

On his return from Egypt he found he was famous, which means, he said, "that people are glad to ask you to dinner, and that bores of the most appalling description write from all corners of the earth and expect an answer." Various bitter attacks in the Press troubled him—he was always sensitive to criticism of the books.

Infatuated Women

There were over 40 books in all, and it is rather difficult to pick out those that should be mentioned particularly. There was "The World's Desire," a romance of Helen of Troy, written in collaboration with Andrew Lang, which seemed in many ways to hold the best that both could give. Lang lost it for months, and then

The three books to which he himself always returned, of which he never wearied, and which accompanied him on his almost unceasing travels, have no lack of romance, but are scarcely called modern. They were: "The Bible," "Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire," and "Mottam's 'Dutch Republic'."

HANGED BY PUTTEE

Tragedy While Regiment Is
On Manoeuvres

Fusilier Bernard Mallon, aged 20, single, of the Royal Scots Fusiliers, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Mallon, who are living in New York, was found last month hanging by a puttee from a tree in Petworth Park near Arundel, Sussex.

His regiment was in camp on manoeuvres. He was last seen alive in the camp at 10 o'clock the previous night.

wrote to say it was found, but that the B.P. (British Public) would never swallow anything so unfamiliar—but they did! "Beatrice," "unrelieved in its gloom," as the late Charles Longman, who published it, remarked, followed. It was another success, but my father was somewhat dismayed at receiving two infuriated letters from ladies who alleged their respective husbands had been lured from their sides by charming damsels entirely as a result of reading "Beatrice." So dismayed was he that he deleted the offending paragraphs and wrote a special preface to later editions.

Icelandic Saga

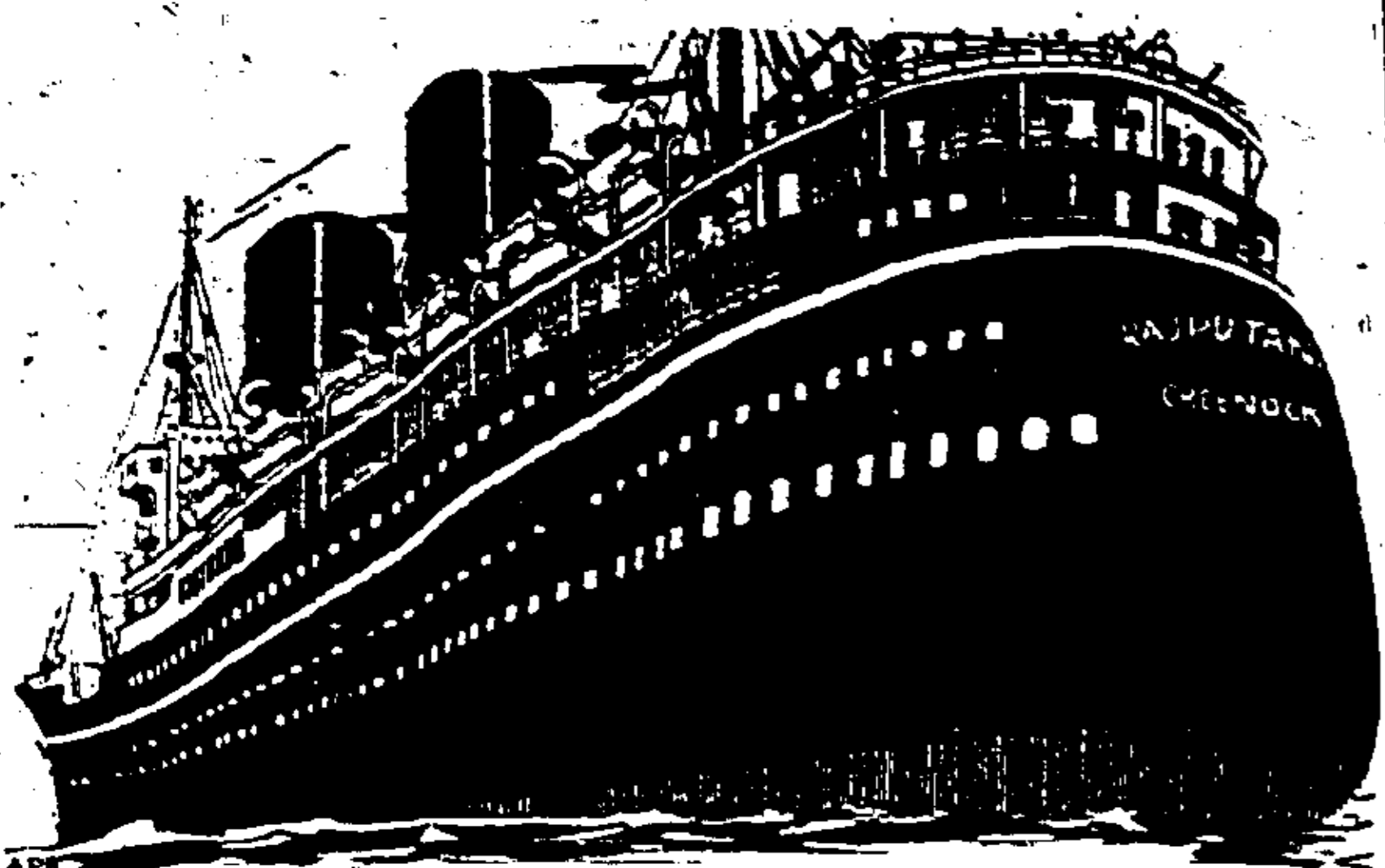
Then came "Eric Brighteyes," a saga of Iceland, which book very nearly cost my father his life, as he was wrecked on the voyage home and nearly drowned. Lang's criticism was: "I do not think much of the boy who can lay it down until its finished—women, of course, cannot be expected to care for it. As literature, I consider it is a masterpiece."

"Eric" was followed by "Nada the Lily," the epic of a dying people, which my father considered the best book he ever wrote. There is a letter from Rudyard Kipling dated October, 1895, which may be of interest: "Watt has just forwarded a letter from you addressed to some bee-keeping man who wanted to quote from a tale of mine. It made me chuckle a little and reminded me he was nearer the mark than he knew, for it was a chance sentence of yours in 'Nada the Lily' that started me off on a track that ended in my writing a lot of wolf stories. You remember where the wolves leap up at the feet of a dead man sitting on a rock? Somewhere on that page I got the notion."

"Montezuma's Daughter" was the result of a trip to Mexico in 1891, and is partly laid in his own village of Ditchingham in Tudor times. It reflects the bitter grief he suffered in this year through the death of his only son; a grief that for a time killed his pleasure in writing adventure stories and changed the whole trend of his invention. This book and "Nada" and three later ones are in my opinion the best he wrote, although not by any means the most popular.

Other Three

The three others are "Lysbeth," a tale of the Dutch in the time of the Spanish oppression of the Netherlands; "The Brethren," a romance of the Crusades, to my mind everything a romance should be; and, lastly, "The People of the Mist," whose pages of "barfaced and flagrant adventure" are dedicated to his godsons "in the belief that in them they may find some healthy amusement and nothing that can do them hurt." This dedication reflects my father's belief that books of romance and adventure (both for those that write and those that read) should be a refuge from the world that so many, especially those of tender and introspective temperament, must find at times unbearably hard. The fact that so many of his readers had found amusement and consolation in what he had written helped him tremendously in his hardworking and anxious life.



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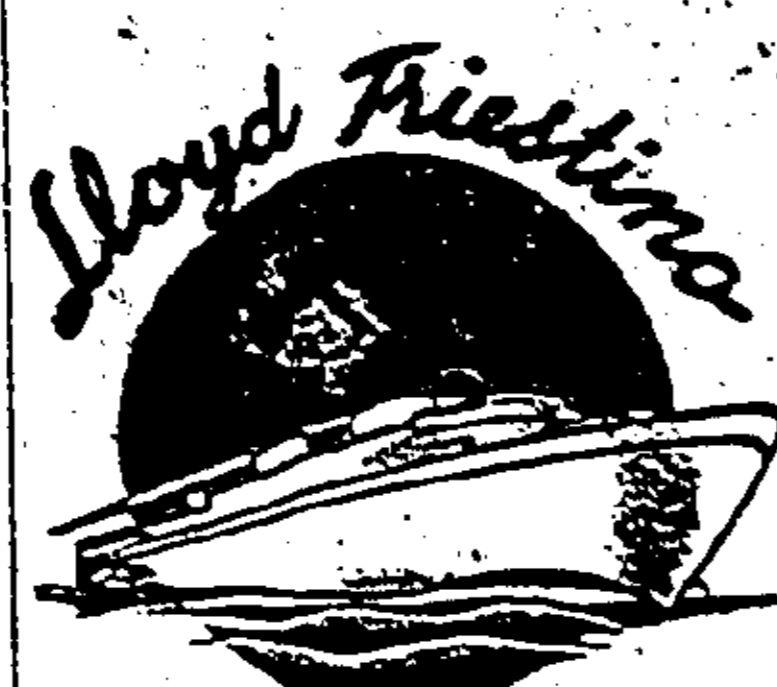
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FROM JAPAN

Toiyama Maru	Sept. 27
Nagato Maru	28
Nankin	29
Pres. Hoover	29
Gen. Sherman	29
Pres. Grant	Oct. 2
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FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Kashima Maru	Sept. 26
Deucalion	27
Ginjo Maru	27
Soudan	28
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Conte Rosso	1
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FROM SHANGHAI

Gen. Sherman	Sept. 29
Pres. Hoover	29
Taiwan	29
Pres. Grant	Oct. 2
Tatsuta Maru	2
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FROM MANILA

Tjisondari	Sept. 25
Deucalion	27
Emp. of Russia	30
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FROM AUSTRALIA

Nellor	Oct. 3
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FROM U.S.A.

Pres. Hoover	Sept. 29
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Sphinx (via Siberia)	3

FOR SHANGHAI

Kashima Maru	Sept. 26
Chichibu Maru	29
Corfu	Oct. 1
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Sphinx	3

FOR JAPAN

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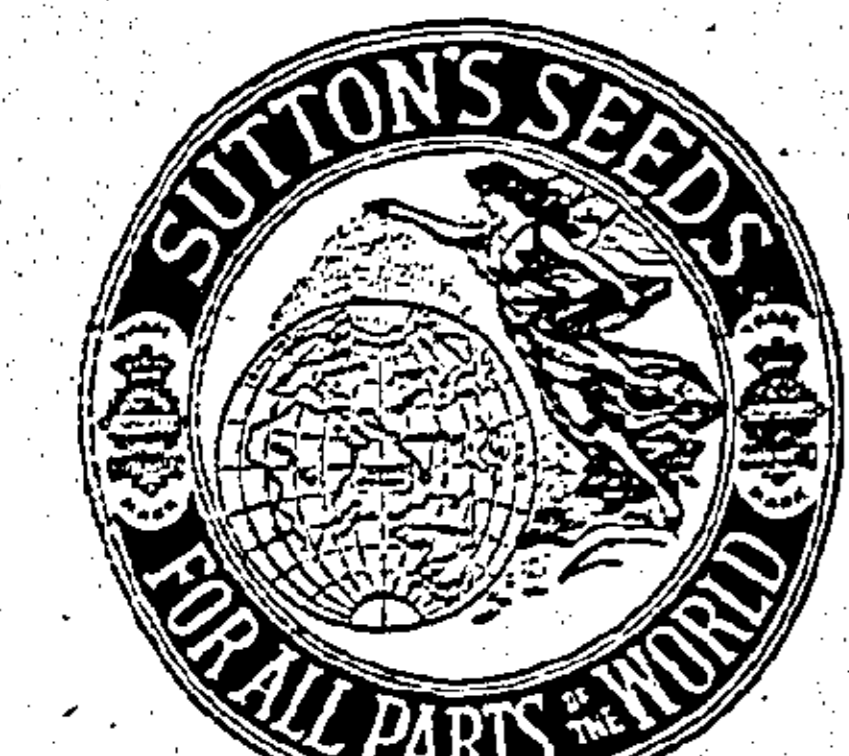
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Amongst others, the following citations from the Bible will be read:—"Great peace have they which love my law: and nothing shall offend them. My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee; So may that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding; Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding; If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures; Then shalt thou understand the fear of the Lord, and find the knowledge of God. For the Lord giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding. When wisdom entereth into thine heart, and knowledge is pleasant unto thy soul; Discretion shall preserve thee, understanding shall keep thee." (Psalms 119: 165. Proverbs 2: 1-6, 10, 11.)

The Lesson Sermon will also include the following passages from the Christian Science Text-book "Science and Health, with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy:—

"Spirit imparts the understanding which uplifts consciousness and leads into all truth. Spiritual sense is the discernment of spiritual good. Understanding is the line of demarcation between the real and unreal. This understanding is not intellectual, is not the result of scholarly attainments; it is the reality of all things brought to light. God's ideas reflect the immortal, unerring, and infinite. The mortal, erring, and finite are human beliefs, which apportion to themselves a task impossible for them, that of distinguishing between the false and the true. Objects utterly unlike the original do not reflect that original. Therefore matter, not being the reflection of Spirit, has no real entity. Understanding is a quality of God, a quality which separates Christian Science from supposition and makes Truth final. As mortals gain more correct views of God and man, multitudinous objects of creation, which before were invisible, will become visible. When we realise that Life is Spirit, never in nor of matter, this understanding will expand into self-completeness, finding all in God, good, and needing no other consciousness. Spirit and its formations are the only realities of being. Through divine Science, Spirit, God, unites understanding to eternal harmony. The calm and exalted thought or spiritual apprehension is at Peace." (Pages 505, 264, 506.)

BRIDGE NOTES

EXPERT ERRORS

By Ely Culbertson

Since most of my articles deal with the errors, trials, and tribulations of average and weaker players, it is only fair to point out that the world's acknowledged experts also have their falls from grace.

The fact that a close and delicate partnership understanding extends from one expert partner to the other makes any violation of a convention, any garbling in the messages of signal cards, however slight, a definite error.

In the hand shown below East and West were players who are ranked in the first ten of the world's experts, yet they allowed a vulnerable game contract to be stolen from under their noses.

West, dealer

Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

S. A K 7 4 3

H. K 5

D. 10

C. A K 8 7 2

WEST

S. 5

H. A 9 8 7 6 2

D. A K 6

C. 10 5 4

SOUTH

S. Q J

H. Q 10 4

D. J 9 8 4 3 2

C. J 9

The bidding:

West North East South

1H. Dble 1S. Pass

Pass Dble Pass 2D.

Pass 2S. Pass 2NT

Pass 3NT Pass Pass

Dble Pass Pass

The bidding may seem strange to most players. East's spade bid over the take-out double was, of course, a weakness bid. West's pass to the spade bid, with a singleton spade and a six card heart suit, was simply a waiting measure. Since East had announced weakness, he felt that any contract undoubled was preferable to a higher one doubled. He would, of course, have rescued after North's second double if South's two diamond bid had not done this for him.

West opened the seven of hearts, dummy played low, and East's jack was won by the queen. Declarer promptly led back a heart, West took his ace, and now had to lead again. The exposed hand gave him a serious problem. If South had the queen of clubs, West could tell that the suit would break for five tricks, which, together with the ace and king of spades in sight, the heart trick already taken, and the ten of hearts marked in declarer's hand, added up to nine. It was imperative to discover whether East or declarer held the club queen, but no sure way to do this existed. There was, however, a way to secure a subtle, though not positive, implication. West laid down the diamond king and watched avidly for East's follow suit card. And East slipped. He played the seven!

To the inexperienced eye this may

Amusements

Cinema Notes From
The Theatres"THE KING STEPS OUT"—
KINGS AND ALHAMBRA
THEATRES

When Grace Moore set the entertainment world afire with her divine voice in the now memorable "One Night of Love," frantic producers scanned the world's opera marts for "another Grace Moore." They hopefully set out to produce "another 'One Night of Love'" and succeeded only in approaching but not surpassing this history-making film.

With her new production scheduled and imminent, "Miss Moore" was firmly convinced that the cycle of semi-operatic musical productions which she launched with "One Night of Love" had run its course. The formula which had proved so successful for her heretofore was relegated to limbo, and a newer, more refreshing musical type of film devised. How well she succeeded is evident in her current Columbia production, in which Franchot Tone, Walter Connolly and Raymond Walburn lend their able support.

The most unusual departure apparent in "The King Steps Out" is the music which was written by Fritz Kreisler, violin virtuoso and outstanding composer. Heard, too, will be Kreisler's famed composition, "Caprice Viennois." Unlike the accepted classical arias which were interpolated in former films, the songs which Miss Moore sings in "The King Steps Out" are all from the pen of Kreisler, with lyrics by Dorothy Fields.

Among other changes noted are the colourful settings—the court of Emperor Francis Josef in Austria and the Bavarian estate of Duke Maximilian; the lifting of the mantic screen play by Sidney Buchman, a story of gay intrigue and effervescent comedy; the artistic direction by Josef Von Sternberg, a master craftsman with the camera; and the skilful musical direction.

"DANGEROUS"—ORIENTAL
THEATRE

"Dangerous," starring Bette Davis and Franchot Tone, is making a return to the Colony which should draw crowded houses, in view of the success it secured when it was first released. The story centres around Bette Davis as Joyce Heath, a beautiful and brilliant actress, whose ambi-

look like the correct play, to show the queen. Actually it was a major error. The defenders had taken in only one trick before the diamond king was led. They needed not three, but four more to defeat the contract. East should have known that West was in doubt about a club stopper. He should have played his lowest diamond as a demand for a discontinuation. West then would have continued the heart suit and the contract would have been defeated. But after the diamond seven, declarer continued with the king and the six in the hope that declarer's forced diamond bid had been on five to the nine spot. On this defence, nine tricks became a lay-down.



The Count of Romanones, above, aged 71, reputed to have been one of the wealthiest men in Spain and a friend of ex-king Alfonso, is reported to have been executed by the loyalists when insurgent ships resumed their bombardment of San Sebastian last month.

tion and selfishness leaves a trail of broken hearts and wrecked lives behind her.

How Franchot Tone tries his best to reform her and his infatuation for her is vividly portrayed on the screen. The picture is a moving drama, well acted and, above all, played understandingly by the cast.

"THE WALKING DEAD"—
QUEEN'S THEATRE

"The Walking Dead," a Warner Bros. picture, is said to be the strangest and most unusual mystery thriller ever screened. Boris Karloff has the stellar role, while the brilliant cast includes Ricardo Cortez, Edmund Gwenn, Marguerite Churchill, Warren Hull, Barton MacLane and Henry O'Neill.

The picture has as its central theme the bringing back to life of a man who has been electrocuted for murder, but whose innocence of the crime is proved immediately after his execution. The victim, a band of racketeers, who have framed him, the man who was dead walks as in a dream among the living, but with an uncanny instinct, seemingly supernatural, of ferreting out the men who had caused his death.

The theme is hair-raising enough in itself, but the strange occult methods by which the "dead" man proceeds to avenge himself are calculated to freeze the blood and make the flesh quiver.

While the picture is largely one of chills and thrills, it is relieved by comedy elements and a fascinating romance. It was directed by Michael Curtiz, who handled the famous mystery pictures, "The X" and "The Wax Museum." The story is by Ewart Adamson and Joseph Fields and was adapted for the screen by Adamson, Peter Milne, Robert Andrews and Lillie Hayward.

"THE DARK ANGEL"—STAR
THEATRE

Adapted from a play by Guy Bolton, the screen play of "The Dark Angel" was prepared by Lilian Hellman, author of the smash Broadway stage hit, "The Children's Hour," and Mordaunt Shairp, who will be remembered for his stage success, "The Green Bay Tree."

The story, which is set in a quiet corner of lovely rural Eng-



TO-DAYS PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.R.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (\$45 K.C.'s).

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FROM LONDON

Recorded Programme

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European recorded programme.

12.30 p.m.—Light Orchestral Music.

1 p.m.—Local: Times Signal and Weather Report.

1.05 p.m.—Frances Day (Soprano) and the Paramount Theatre Orchestra.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press, Rugby Press, Local: Weather forecast, time and announcements.

1.40 p.m.—Dance Music.

(Continued on Next Col.)

land, follows the lives of a woman, Kitty Vane, (Merle Oberon) and two men, Alan Trent (Fredric March) and Gerald Shannon (Herbert Marshall). Since childhood, Kitty has adored Alan, and Gerald has adored Kitty. The War takes both men and in the trenches there comes to Alan the realisation of his love for Kitty. Home on leave, he tells her of his love, but their plans to marry are shattered by a sudden call cancelling all leaves.

When Alan is reported killed, Kitty's life is broken. After the War, she becomes engaged to Gerald, but in the eleventh hour Fate steps in and the dream of her life is fulfilled in a gloriously happy ending.

"The Dark Angel" was directed by Sidney Franklin for release through United Artists.

Prominent in the imposing supporting cast are Janet Beecher, John Halliday, Henrietta Crossman, Frieda Inescort, Claude Alister, George Breakston, David Torrence, Cora Sue Collins and others.

"THE GARDEN MURDER
CASE"—MAJESTIC
THEATRE

As the super-scientific detective, Edmund Lowe gives a performance in this picture that is utterly delightful. He crawls his way in and out of a series of thrilling adventures, more than once being in actual danger of sudden death.

But not one of his thrills can be compared to his sudden falling in love! It is the first time in Philo's adventures that he has undergone this experience, and the way he reacts to romantic situations is at once humorous and entertaining.

Virginia Bruce is the smart society girl who gives him palpitation of the heart, and to save her from police suspicion he risks not only his reputation, but his life.

Supporting the two principals is a strong cast, each member of which deserves special mention. Outstanding in their roles are Benita Hume, Douglas Walton, Nat Pendleton, Gene Lockhart, H. E. Warner, Kent Smith, Grant Mitchell and Frieda Inescort, while Henry B. Walthall, Jessie Ralph, Charles Trowbridge and Etienne Girardot contribute notably.

JUBILEE HAS A COLD

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Ordered

Jubilee, the Zoo's baby chimpanzee, had a cold last month. Her doctor ordered her a special diet and a small quantity of aspirin.

It was expected that she would soon be herself again, but, as a precaution, the chimpanzee's house was closed for a day or two.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.

4-7 p.m.—Chinese Studio Concert.

7-12 midnight.—European Programme.

7 p.m.—The Band of H. M. Gold-

stream Guards.

Tales of Hoffmann—Selection (Offenbach).

Colonel Boggy March (Alford).

Youth and Vigor (Lautenschlager).

Air de Ballet (Callinchoe).

(Chaminade).

Pas Des Cygnales (Chaminade).

Old Panama (Alford).

The Standard of St. George (Alford).

7.30 p.m.—Light Opera and Musical Comedy.

Countess Maritza—

Selection (Kalan).

Marek Weber and his Orchestra.

Songs—

Arcady is ever Young—"The Arcadians" (Monckton).

Winnie Melville (Soprano).

Vocal Gems—

Viktoria and her Hussar (Abraham).

Light Opera Company.

Selection—

The Town Talks (Ellis).

Vaudeville Theatre Orchestra.

Songs—

Love will find a way ("The Maid of the Mountains") Fraser (Simson).

Helene Boerman (Soprano).

8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and announcements.

8.05 p.m.—A Variety Programme.

Piano Solos—

Jan Kleppa Film Melodies.

Fred Stein.

Songs—

Lost

A Melody from the Sky.

Sam Browne (Baritone).

Organ Solos—

Cinema Memories.

Quentin M. MacLean.

Songs—

Lost my Rhythm, Lost my Music, Lost my Man.

Dinah Miller.

Vocal—

Life begins again.

Flanagan and Allen.

Instrumental—

O Sole Mio.

Ferrera and Paaluh.

Songs—

What shall Remain? ("The King Steps Out").

Grace Moore (Soprano).

Instrumental—

Lazy Bones.

Eight Piano Ensemble.

Songs—

I Travel Alone.

Leslie Hutchinson.

Orchestra—

Fall-g Leaves.

Ambrose and his Orchestra.

Vocal—

Chloe (Song of the Swamp).

The Radio Three.

Vocal—

The Sunset Trail.

The Hill Billies.

Orchestra—

Wah Hoot.

The Original Hoosier Hot Shots.

9 p.m.—News and announcements from London.

9.20 p.m.—Hawaiian Music.

Love Song of Tahiti.

Samoa Love Song.

Lullabyland—

The Music of the Lullabies.

Underneath the Blue Hawaiian Skies.

Sweet Hawaiian Dream Girl.

Hawaiian Paradise.

9.45 p.m.—A Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Grill Room.

10 p.m.—Big Ben from London.

12 midnight—Close Down.

NOTE:—There will be a relay from the Lee Theatre (Chinese) from 2.25 p.m. on a frequency of 840 kilocycles from 8-11 p.m.



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ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY

Annual General Meeting

MR. R. M. McLAY AS NEW PRESIDENT

Mr. R. M. McLAY, who was acting president of St. Andrew's Society of Hong Kong in the absence of Dr. J. C. Macgregor last year, was elected president of the Society for 1936-7, at the annual general meeting held in Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Company's Board Room yesterday, and Sir Atholl MacGregor was elected vice-president.

It was also decided that this year one practice dance will be held before the St. Andrew's Ball, and that the latter function will take place on Friday, November 27. Appeals were made to members of the Scottish community on the Colony to join the Society, and for the members themselves to show more interests in its activities. Young men were also asked to come forward and join the Scottish Company of the Volunteers.

The new Committee will comprise Dr. J. W. Anderson, Messrs. T. G. S. Alexander, N. M. Currie, D. Drummond, H. R. Forsyth, K. S. Morrison, A. Ritchie and B. Wyllie. The joint Hon. Secretaries and Treasurers, Messrs. E. M. Bryden and D. S. Robb, were re-elected.

About 50 members of the Society were present and letters stating their regret at their inability to attend the meeting were read from Sir Atholl MacGregor and Mr. A. Ritchie.

Chairman's Report

The adoption of the Fifty-fifth Annual Report and Accounts of the Society was then proposed by the President who said in part:

Gentlemen: Our ranks of Past Presidents have been thinned by death and to the names of those published in the report have to be added those of Messrs. C. E. Anton and R. M. Dyer. Messrs. J. J. Bell-Irving, J. W. C. Bonnar, Anton and Dyer occupied the post of Chieftain and did much excellent work on behalf of the Society. To the present generation Messrs. Bonnar and Dyer are perhaps best known, both were men of sterling character and furthered the interests of the Society most enthusiastically.

There is a total membership of 497, which whilst satisfactory, hardly represents the Scotch Colony in Hong Kong, and I think it is up to all members of the Society to induce all Scotsmen to join, particularly the younger members of our Colony, for it is only through them that we can hope to maintain the tradition of the oldest Society in the Colony and maintain the very creditable record of assistance rendered to our fellow countrymen.

Members Wanted

For the first time in many years one of the gentler sex has been awarded the J. R. M. Smith Scholarship and it is to be hoped the same keenness will continue. This is quite a nice little plum and we have to thank the Director of Education for the time he expended in reviewing the papers submitted.

The Annual Ball

Recently the Brigades of the Scottish Company appealed to all young men of military age to join the Volunteers and I would like to urge upon the younger members of the Society the necessity of supporting the "Scottish". As an old Volunteer I can assure you that the duties you are called upon to do are not too strenuous and you get a lot of fun out of them.

Mr. T. G. S. Alexander seconded the Report and Accounts which were then passed.

The New President

Following the presentation of the report by the President the election of officers for the ensuing year was carried out. Mr. R. M. McLAY was proposed as President by Dr. G. D. E. Black and seconded by Mr. K. E. Greig. The proposal was carried.

Sir Atholl MacGregor was then proposed as Vice-President by Mr. A. Stevenson and seconded by Mr. A. Stevenson and the proposal carried. A secret ballot was held for the election of the Committee of eight members. On the proposal of Mr. A. S. Mackintosh, who was seconded by Mr. N. M. Currie, the Joint Hon. Secretaries and Treasurers, Messrs. Bryden and Robb, were

CORRESPONDENCE

Picnic For The Blind

[To The Editor, "China Mail"] Dear Sir,—Arrangements have been put in hand by the Kowloon Tong Group of the V.D.M.A. to give the Girls of the Blind Home, Pokfulam, their annual outing to Shek-O on Saturday, October 24, and the object of this letter is to ask you to permit us the use of your columns to appeal to the public once again for assistance.

These yearly picnics have only been made possible by the support of the public, and the ready response we have always received leads us to hope that the public will assist us to make this year's outing a memorable one, to mark the tenth anniversary of these picnics.

I shall be very glad to receive donations, as well as offers of loans of cars, and with your permission these will be acknowledged in your paper.

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"NIGHT MUST FALL"

To Be Presented By The A.D.C.

The public will be interested to know that the Hong Kong Amateur Dramatic Club has in active rehearsal the famous play by Emyln Williams, "Night Must Fall," for production early in November. The producer is again Mr. E. G. Smith-Wright, who has been responsible for the Club's recent successes. An exceptionally strong cast has been brought together, including several experienced players who are new to the local stage. A well acted and staged play is assured.

"Night Must Fall" will be produced on four days, November 4, 5, 6 and 7.

ANGLO-FRENCH AGREEMENT

(Continued from Page 1)

EFFECTS ON TRADE The British Government is moreover convinced, together with the French and United States Governments, that the success of the above policy is linked with the development of international trade. In particular they attach the greatest importance to action being taken without delay to relax progressively the present system of quotas and exchange controls, with a view to their abolition.

CO-OPERATION URGED

The British Government, in common with the French and United States Governments, invite the co-operation of other nations to realise the policy laid down in the present declaration. They trust that no country will attempt to gain an unreasonable competitive exchange advantage and thereby hamper the effort to restore the more stable economic relations which it is the aim of the three Governments to promote.—Reuter.

re-elected.

Following the election of officers Mr. McLAY opened the discussion on the desirability of holding the annual ball and there was a very lengthy discussion on the subject.

Ball To Be Held

After Mr. A. Stevenson expressed the view that he favoured the holding of a practice dance with the idea of giving Scotsmen greater opportunity to get together, a proposal was made by Mr. Wyllie that one practice dance be held this year. The proposal was seconded by Mr. N. Currie and carried almost unanimously. A proposal that the Ball be held on November 27 was then made by the President, seconded by Mr. Forsyth, and carried.

SICK WOMAN VANISHES

A woman who was seen wandering along the track in a dazed manner by the driver of a South-bound train was put in the guard's van, and arrangements were made for her to be picked up by an ambulance on arrival. At Westcliff station, however, she jumped out of the van and has not been seen since.

HELENA MAY RECITAL

Handel, Bach And Beethoven

EVENING OF REAL MUSIC

A most thoroughly enjoyable evening of music was provided by the first of the series of three Sonata Recitals by Prue Lewis and Maurice Barton at the Helena May Institute last evening. The programme, chosen with care and discrimination, was designed to illustrate the foundations of music which Bach, Handel and Beethoven more or less exemplify. The result was an evening's entertainment which gave the utmost satisfaction.

Violin and piano sonatas provide one of the most intimate forms of music. They require perfect understanding between the two instrumentalists and meticulous care of detail. All these qualities were exhibited at last night's performance. It was obvious that Prue Lewis and Maurice Barton had spent a great deal of time and trouble in perfecting their performance, and the results were triumphantly justified. They blended beautifully and played with dash and confidence.

Their material was of the best, consisting as it did of the D Major Handel and the D Major Beethoven, both sparkling and interesting works. Both players are to be thoroughly congratulated on their performance.

Prue Lewis, in addition, played the E Major unaccompanied Sonata of Bach (No. 6), certainly one of the most difficult technically and easily the best musically. She showed some hesitancy in the first (Prelude) movement, but soon settled down to display her excellent technique and breadth of interpretation. The contrapuntal passages in the Menuet and Bourree movements were delicately contrasted, and the final Gigue was full of humour and vivacity. Altogether an excellent piece of work.

Maurice Barton particularly shone in the Beethoven, playing with a facility of technique which was most satisfying. He never obtruded and was always there when wanted. A most musically reading of the work was given.

Edgar Warner

The principal artists were supported by Edgar Warner (Tenor), whose lovely voice was heard to advantage in familiar Handel and Bach offerings. The quality of his high head notes was particularly pleasing, and he sang with discrimination and taste. Mr. Lindsay A. Lafford accompanied him beautifully; he is certainly magnificent in the unpretentious, scholarly playing of Bach, undoubtedly acquired by his training as an organist.

The distinguished and enthusiastic audience present last evening included His Excellency the Governor and Lady Caldecott with a party, and a representative gathering of music-lovers in Hong Kong. If the two coming recitals are as good as the first the whole series will definitely have added something substantial to the musical heritage of the Colony. The next recital is to be given at the same time and place on October 9, when the principal artists will be supported by Mrs. Nell Mathieson in two groups of modern English songs. Miss Lewis and Mr. Barton will play Elgar's Sonata in E Minor, Op. 82. Mr. E. O'Neil Shaw will accompany.

The following was last night's complete programme:—
Sonata No. 4 in D Major... Handel.
Adagio, Allegro, Larghetto, Allegro.
Prue Lewis and Maurice Barton.
Songs:—
Total Eclipse (from "Samson")
Where'er you walk (from "Semele")
War is toil and trouble (from "Alexander's Feast")
Handel.

Edgar Warner
Sonata No. 6 in E Major... Bach.
Prelude, Gavotte en Rondeau.
Menuet, Bourree, Gigue.
Prue Lewis.

Songs:—
Will thou leave me thus forsaken? (from "Was mir behagt")
If thou art near
Pan is master of us all (from "Phoebus and Pan")... Bach.
Edgar Warner
Sonata in D Major, Op. 12, No. 1... Beethoven.
Allegro con brio.
Andante con moto (Tema con Variazioni)
Allegro (Rondo)
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